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"WHITE CHRISTMAS" FOR PEOPLE OF THE EASTERN STATES

Dinner for Twenty-Five Thousand People in New York.

SNOW IN MIDDLEWEST

Taft Goes Out Shopping to Buy Presents for White House Family.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—From Broadway to the Bowery, and "all around the town" the Christmas spirit is in the air tonight. A cool, crisp Christmas eve, with clear skies, brought thousands of merrymakers out on the streets More than a thousand bluejackets from the battleships of the North Atlantic fleet in port for the holidays, enlivened the scene along the "great white way" and in resorts uptown and downtown. "Standing Room Only" sign was displayed in nearly all theaters.

Tomorrow will be a big day for everybody from the underworld to the four hundred, but it will loom largest, perhaps, to the poor. Charitable organizations have provided for them. The Salvation Army alone will feed 25,000 persons.

Several hundred detained immigrants on Ellis Island enjoyed a Christmas celebration today. There were music and addresses in German, Polish and Italian, and a distribution of gifts.

While there was an old-fashioned Christmas frolic today on the Consolidated Stock Exchange, brokers on the New York Stock Exchange quietly locked the doors and stole away. The one-time Christmas jollification on the floor of the exchange has almost died out.

TAFT'S CHRISTMAS PIE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—President Taft's Christmas pie arrived tonight and will be served on the White House table tomorrow. This pie was packed in a heavy wooden box four feet square nailed with ten-penny nails, and all the way from New York to Washington four delegates of the Bakers' Union sat on the cover, one on each corner. The pie was taken to the White House on an automobile truck.

PRESIDENT SHOPS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—President Taft went shopping afoot this afternoon, wandering from shop to shop, taking hearty interest in the store windows and good-naturedly returning the jostling of the crowds. Captain Butt, his military aide, walked with him, and immediately behind trailed two secret service men. After a walk of nearly an hour and a half the presidential party returned to the White House.

The President left the executive office at 4 o'clock and walked down Pennsylvania avenue to a jeweler's shop, where he remained some little time, selecting a present for Mrs. Taft and his daughter, Miss Helen. He next walked over to a leather establishment on F street, where Captain Butt halted Taft on the sidewalk before the broad display window.

"That's just the thing," he exclaimed, pointing with his walking stick to an elaborate traveling bag of Russian leather that was spread to the gaze of the envious.

"You're right," exclaimed the President, shoving the officer ahead of him good-naturedly.

"Let's get a closer view," said the President.

There was a commotion in the crowded store when the President and his party entered. They remained nearly a quarter of an hour, going from there to a book dealer's establishment, where Taft purchased a number of volumes. The party then returned to the jeweler's place.

BIBULOUS GREETINGS.

As the President passed a hotel in Fifteenth street, the pin-wheel door to the bar spun merrily. Four bibulous holiday celebrants emerged. They gained the sidewalk, laughing effusively, wishing each other the compliments of the season, when one spied the President.

"Merry Christmas, Mister President," he cried. "Merry Christmas."

All four managed to raise their hats. The President looked them over and, with a broad grin, lifted his own head-gear.

"Thank you, gentlemen, let me wish you the same."

There will be no special observance of the day at the White House. The Taft family will dine together, and with the children at home, the celebration will not be different from that in a million homes throughout this country.

The employes of the White House will receive turkey and the clerks of the executive office will get $5 apiece. Taft's presents to the personal force in the White House, it is understood, will cost him $500.

Seven members of the President's official family will spend their Christmas here. They are Secretaries Knox Wilson, MacVeagh, Nagel, Meyer, Ballinger and Postmaster-General Hitchcock. Secretary Dickinson is on his way to Porto Rico and Attorney-General Wickersham will spend the day in New York with Mrs. Wickersham.

SNOW FALLS IN WEST.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 24.—For twelve hours snow has been falling throughout Kansas, Southern Nebraska and West Missouri. Salina, Kas., reports that it will have its first "White Christmas" since 1895.

DISASTROUS FLOODS IN CENTRAL SPAIN

MADRID, Dec. 24. — Heavy rains near the Portugal frontier have caused disastrous floods. At Ciudad Rodrigo at least eleven persons have been drowned and hundreds are homeless. Fifty houses have collapsed and many others are submerged.

The valley of the Tormes is possessed by a raging torrent. Bridges have been swept away, roadbeds washed out, cattle killed, and crops ruined. The villages of Tiguellino is under water. The Douro is out of its banks. The beds of the railroad lines leading toward Portugal have been washed out.

MISTAKEN IDENTITY CAUSE OF ARREST ON BIGAMY CHARGE

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 24.—There are two Charles Seiters in St. Louis, and each has a wife. Neither has two wives, as alleged in a warrant issued at Belleville, Ill., yesterday, and the Charles Seiter arrested on a charge of bigamy will spend Christmas with his wife.

Charles Seiter, 4220 Evans avenue, spent last night in the police holdover and at noon today an officers from Illinois arrived to take him to the Belleville jail. He was charged with having married Miss Clara Kirsten, who had been his wife since November 24th.

Seiter was brought from the holdover and introduced to Seiter, whom he thanked for coming to his rescue.

The warrant is to be withdrawn. The arrest was brought about by women who knew the Evans avenue Seiter, telling the Belleville authorities of a marriage license being issued in the name of Charles Seiter.

MANY KILLED WHEN BOILER EXPLODES

From Two to Five Is Estimate of Deaths in Oklahoma Railways Shops.

SHAWNEE, Okla., Dec. 24.—Five men are believed to be dead and seventeen injured as the result of the explosion of an engine in the shops of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific railroad here today. Though railway officials have given out a statement that only two are dead, fragments of bodies gathered make it almost certain that five are dead. Eighteen are said by employes to be missing.

The known dead are: Robert Kerr; John Johns.

The explosion occurred in the noon hour when most of the employes of the shops were at luncheon. It wrecked the repair shops and hurled pieces of wrecked machinery several rods. Windows all over town were shattered. The shop yards are strewn with human flesh.

The body of Kerr was found on Main street, three blocks away. Fragments of the body of Johns were found on roofs of adjoining buildings.

Kerr and Johns were working in the engine when the explosion occurred.

The firemen most seriously injured were taken to the company hospital at McAlester. The roll of employes has not been checked up by the superintendent and close surveillance of the shops is being maintained by Rock Island officials.

A company of Oklahoma National Guard is on duty to preserve order.

A rescue crew is at work tonight digging for twelve men believed to be pinned beneath the mass of twisted iron and splintered timbers.

PLUMBING COMBINE VIOLATION OF LAW

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 24.—Damages in the sum of $200,000 are demanded by Anderson-Lore & Company, plumbers, in a suit brought by the concern today against the Merchant Plumbers' Association of Los Angeles. The complaint alleges that the association was formed for the purpose of suppressing and eliminating competition in the plumbing business in Los Angeles. More than 70 per cent of the master plumbers of the city are members of the association, according to the complaint, and it is charged that the association is acting in violation of the anti-trust laws of the state.

"WHITE SLAVER'S" SENTENCE COMMUTED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—President Taft commuted the sentence today of a New York "White Slaver" by cutting off one year from a three year sentence.

The case was that of Augusto Rousseau, a Frenchman who was convicted in the United States Circuit Court of New York of "importing women for the purpose of prostitution and harboring an alien woman for immoral purposes."

The law making the harboring of an alien woman for immoral purposes a crime, has since been declared unconstitutional, and it was on this ground solely that the pardon was recommended.

URGES ANNEXATION OF KOREA BY JAPAN

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 24.—Count Hayashi, former foreign minister of Japan, in an interview published in Jiji Shimpo, received here in today's mails, advocates the annexation of Korea by Japan, citing in defense of his stand the example of America's annexation of Hawaii. He recites the history in that regard in detail and says that Japan's interest in Korea is greater than was that of the United States in Hawaii, and he urges the immediate annexation of Korea, a step in which he says "a third power has no right to interfere."

JAILED FOR KILLING MULE.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Dec. 24.—D. Thomas, a miner at Hymeria, Ind., was sentenced to thirty days in jail today for killing a mule. Thomas became angry at the mule in the mine and struck it with a pick.

ZELAYA RUNS AWAY FROM MANAGUA WITH BODY GUARD OF 100 TO CORINTO

Universal Extent of Dictators Grafting Is Revealed By Associated Press Investigator---Is American War Vessel Waiting To Prevent His Escape From Nicaragua?

CORINTO, Dec. 24.—Jose Santos Zelaya, who three days ago relinquished the presidency of Nicaragua to Dr. Jose Madriz—the same day his army met defeat by the revolutionists at Rama—has fled the capital and tonight is in Corinto, surrounded by his body guard and a few faithful friends.

Zelaya left Managua under cover of darkness, escorted by fifty of his guard of honor and a squad of artillerymen with a Maxim gun. At 3 o'clock this morning the party quietly went from the former president's home, and half an hour later boarded a small steamer, which sailed immediately for Momotombo, on Lake Managua. Simultaneously with the departure of the boat, a special train with a small number of friends and a press representative aboard, drew out of Managua, also bound for Momotombo.

At 7 o'clock this morning the steamer met the train at Momotombo and Zelaya with his guard and their Maxim gun, promptly boarded a special car attached to the train at Managua. The train departed immediately for Zelaya's plantation at Diamante, where the party took breakfast. The entire party comprised 100 of Zelaya's most intimate friends, among them Joaquin Pasos, Louis Cuadra, his two sons, Horatio and Alfonso, his private secretary and James Hall, American partner of Zelaya in Nicaraguan gold mines.

After breakfasting Zelaya and his party again boarded the train and went to Corinto, where they arrived this afternoon. The trip was made without special incident. There were no demonstrations along the line, the population being generally unaware of the identity of the passengers on the special train. All the members of the party, including Zelaya, were heavily armed. Zelaya appeared calm and cheerful.

At Chinandega, news was brought to Zelaya that the United States gunboat Princeton had left Corinto to take up her position in the Gulf of Fonseca.

REMARKABLE GRAFT.

MANAGUA, December 24.—The magnitude of the personal sacrifice involved in the overthrow of Zelaya from actual power and a possible flight from Nicaragua, is shown in the statement that he derived from various monopolies at financial ventures a revenue of $400,000 silver ($40,000 United States money) per month. In the building in the Champ De Mars that houses the ministry of war, Zelaya conducts the monopolies of alcohol, tobacco, cattle, petroleum, gambling, soap, candles, ice, and drugs and lumber for railroads, fuel and ties. From these quarters he also controlled local monopolies existing along the Atlantic coast and covering traffic in aguardiente, leaf and manufactured tobacco, cocoanut groves, abattoirs and turtle fisheries.

In addition to these he controls the dock privileges at the piers of Corinto, Granada, San Jorge, Monkey Point, San Miguelleto and El Bluff, and the lease of the national railway and of the national steamship lines.

Through some peculiar framing of the customs laws, he also benefits from the premiums on the exportation of coffee, lumber, gold, hides and rubber and from duties of from 10 to 50 per cent on importations of all sorts of manufactured articles.

SOLD CONCESSIONS.

Among his other known interests are the street cleaning of Managua, done by contract; the sugar refinery of San Antonio; the planing mills and the sale of property to or by the government. He also exacts a share in all concessions granted by the government and in this manner is a large stockholder in concessions granted to the Bluefields Company—James Dietrick Guichora, Salazar, Emery—and in a number of mining concessions. The system is so perfected that no land owner can devote his property to the raising of sugar cane or tobacco without the authorization of trusts controlled by Zelaya.

On the Atlantic side Zelaya has operated through the business house of Lopez & Marquese. Lopez is a cousin of Zelaya and is now allied by the revolutionists. Through this house alone Zelaya has just received profits of $500,000 or $600,000 American money. Railroads and steamship lines are managed for him by his partner, a Mr. Julio Wiesl, a Swiss. The contract for the construction of the railway from San Miguel to Monkey Point, which he controls through Wiesl, is to cost the government $20,000 United States money per month. The country already has disbursed $600,000 in the last three years on this line and only four miles have been built.

MANIPULATES BONDS.

National finances have been used for his enrichment. The system has been for Zelaya to underwrite government bonds at a large discount and then to dispose of them to bankers at 50 per cent profit.

It is conservatively estimated that he appropriates 55 per cent of all customs duties by the simple process of compelling payment of customs duties through compulsory purchases of government bonds with which he alone is supplied and which he sells at 50 per cent appreciation over par after having bought them at 40 per cent discount from par.

Then again, Zelaya operates a plantation in the Champ De Mars, which soldiers of the garrison work for him. Another he owns in partnership with the commander of the penitentiary and they divide the profits, the labor being convict labor for which they do not pay. Through a dummy he has the contract for the new drainage system of Managua and in a similar manner he holds the contract for the clothing and equipment of the army.

Zelaya maintains a special office for discounting salaries of state employes, paying them 70 per cent of their claims and retaining 30 per cent commission. To render this effective the treasury is maintained in an empty condition.

Each governor of a department (province) has the executive privilege of trading in cigars, cigarettes and tobacco, the local privilege of traffic in aguardiente and the licensing of games of chance, and is compelled to turn over to Zelaya 50 per cent of the proceeds.

LITTLE GIRL ARRESTED AT ROCKEFELLER'S DOOR

Armenian Child Who Begged Money Is Put in Detention.

NEW YORK, December 24.—A 12-year-old Armenian girl rang the door bell and sought alms at John D. Rockefeller's town house tonight. She was detained by the butler and turned over to the Children's Society, where she will be held pending arraignment on Monday.

The little mendicant said she was Lillian Bayaslan of Worcester, Mass., daughter of a street sweeper, who had approved her plan to come to New York to obtain money from Rockefeller to buy presents for the family. A five dollar gold piece and a quarter were found in her pockets.

She will spend Christmas Day in detention.

HARRIS FUNERAL.

LAWRENCE, Kans., Dec. 24.—Ex-Senator W. A. Harris of Kansas, who died in Chicago last Monday, was buried here today. All the stores in town were closed for one hour today, despite the fact that it was the last day of the pre-holiday rush.

TRANSPORT DIXIE BACK FROM COLON

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The transport Dixie, which took 700 marines and a cargo of camp equipment to Colon for a possible campaign in Nicaragua, has passed in the Delaware Capes and will arrive at the Philadelphia navy yard late this afternoon. The Dixie will be kept ready for sea, as she may be called upon to make another quick run to Central American waters.

HERRING'S SIDE IN AVIATION DISPUTE

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Another side in the legal dispute over the affairs of the Herring-Curtiss company of Hammondsport, N. Y., manufacturers of aeroplanes was shown today in New York with the filing of an affidavit by August Herring, a majority stockholders, who has obtained an injunction restraining Glenn H. Curtiss and his associates from making certain disbursements pending the adjustment of the disagreement.

In the proceedings recently instituted, the Curtiss faction charged Herring with failure to turn over his patents to the company. Herring now asserts that Curtiss has exploited himself at the company's expense and has retained prize money won in aviation contests instead of turning it over to the firm. This retention, he says, was authorized by a board of directors favorable to Curtiss.

PARENTS KILLED BY CAR WHILE NINE CHILDREN WAITED

HAMILTON, O., Dec. 24.—When driving home in a covered wagon loaded with Christmas gifts for their nine children, William Payne and his wife Mary were killed by a traction car today.

FIVE WOUNDED IN OKLAHOMA BATTLE

Four Men and a Woman in Affray and Some May Die.

WAGGONER, Okla., Dec. 24.—Four men and a woman are tonight nursing wounds, some of which may prove fatal, as a result of a battle between J. C. Collier and Sheriff James Childers, at Childers' home near Waggoner, late yesterday.

According to a report that reached here today, Collier met Childers in the road and at the point of a gun forced him to run up and down the road. Collier followed Childers and his brother, Anderson, and opened fire through Childers' window, wounding Mrs. Childers. The fire was returned and Collier was probably fatally wounded, but not until after he had shot both the Childers brothers and a neighbor who was in their house.

M'LAURIN FUNERAL.

BRANDON, Miss., Dec. 24.—The funeral of the late Senator A. J. McLaurin was held here today. Services were held in the Methodist church conducted by Rev. C. F. Emery.

WOMAN'S CURIOSITY CAUSES MAN'S DEATH

POLLGATE, Okla., Dec. 24.—The refusal of Samuel F. Woods, a Santa Fe engineer, to satisfy his wife's curiosity as to the contents of a Christmas package he brought home, caused a family quarrel last night and cost Woods his life an hour later. In the quarrel Woods choked his wife. She went to the home of her brother, George Holland. Woods followed and opened fire on the house. Holland returned the fire and shot Woods dead.

EXPLOSION ENDS CHRISTMAS JOY

Little Girl Is So Badly Burned That She May Die as a Consequence.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Preparations for the appearance of Santa Claus came to a sad end in the home of Trooper Frank Morton of the Fifteenth United States Cavalry, at Fort Meyer, tonight.

His little girl, Dorothy, 3 years old, lies in a hospital, so badly burned that she may die, and his wife, seriously burned, lies on a cot next to her.

Morton had wound cloth around the chimney of a lamp to darken the room for the appearance of Santa Claus. The lamp leaked, the oil saturated the cloth, and an explosion followed.

RECEIVER FOR COMPANY.

TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 24.—Judge Hallstab, of the United States district court, appointed Johnston Coulson of Washington, N. J., receiver of the Vacuum Cleaner Company of Arizona, which has its headquarters at Newark and also required the company to show cause next Monday why it should not be adjudged a bankrupt. Involuntary proceedings in bankruptcy were recently filed against the company by creditors.

KANSAS GUARANTY LAW IS ATTACKED

Federal Court Grants Two Injunctions to Restrain Bank Payments.

TOPEKA, Dec. 24.—The Kansas bank guaranty law received a knock-out blow from Judge Pollock of the Federal court here today. Two injunctions were granted by Judge Pollock.

One of the cases decided was that of Frank S. Larabee, a stockholder in the Exchange State bank of Hutchinson against the officers and directors of the bank and J. D. Bolley, state bank commissioner. His contention was that a stockholder in a state bank could object and prevent the participation of his bank in the guaranty law. Judge Pollock holds that the contention was good and granted an injunction.

The other case was that of the Abilene National bank against the bank commissioner and state treasurer on the ground that the state guaranty law is unconstitutional. Judge Pollock granted a temporary injunction in this case, holding that the law as inoperative, and fixed a bond of $50,000 to be given by the bank pending the final disposition of the case.

BRYAN IS BETTER; STARTS FOR CUBA

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 24.—William J. Bryan, who has been ill for several days at the home of his cousin, ex-Governor William S. Jennings, left this afternoon for Miami, Fla., where he will board a steamer for Cuba, later going to South America.

Bryan was feeling much better but was still suffering from a severe cold.

BEATEN AND ROBBED BY HIGHWAYMEN

OAKLAND, Dec. 24.—Edward Ryan, a contractor, of Chico, Cal., was held up and robbed tonight by two strangers, of whom he inquired an address. He was brutally beaten and dragged into a yard in an unconscious condition, but recovered and made his way to the hospital. Ryan was doing his Christmas shopping when he was attacked.

ARRAIGNED FOR EMBEZZLEMENT.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 24.—Samuel and Simon Perlin, who were brought to this city today from New Haven, Conn., on warrants charging them with embezzlement, were arraigned before Judge Chambers later, who fixed the date of their examination as Monday and placed their bail at $250 each. The Perlin brothers conducted a jewelry store in this city and it is charged that they embezzled valuables intrusted to their care. The men claim, however, that they gave notes for the jewelry.

TETRAZZINI UNABLE TO APPEAR; MONEY REFUNDED

PITSBURG, Dec. 24.—A slight vocal trouble of Madame Louisa Tetrazzini of the Manhattan Opera Company, who was scheduled tonight to sing the leading part in the opera "Lucia," resulted in the money being refunded to the seat holders.

SPEYERS MAY BEGIN AN ACTIVE FIGHT TO RUN MONEY MARKET

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—James Speyer & Company, one of New York's conservative banking firms, called rivals of J. Pierpont Morgan & Company, have purchased holdings of the late Cornelius Vanderbilt in the Union Trust Company of this city, according to an apparently authentic report in financial circles. It is said that the Speyers have taken on 3137 shares of the company's stock, involving approximately $2,000,000.

Possession of the Vanderbilt stock does not necessarily mean control of the Union Trust Company, but added to holdings already accredited to Speyer & Company, it will mean, it is said, that other interests will be barred from the upperhand in the company's management. The Union Trust Company has deposits of $65,000,000. In some quarters it is predicted that Speyer & Company have begun an active fight for the control of the money market, but this is unconfirmed.

NEW AMBASSADOR PRESENTS LETTERS

Taft and Uchida Exchange Compliments and Usual Felicitations.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Baron Uchida, new Japanese ambassador, was formally received by President Taft today and presented his credentials. The usual exchange of expressions of good will followed.

The President spoke of America's long standing friendship with Japan and said he was glad the relations between the two countries were so cordial and was sure they would always remain so.

The Japanese ambassador replied in kind and told the President of the high esteem in which he and all Americans were held by the Japanese.

"The unbroken friendship between Japan and the United States," said the ambassador, "now so long continued that it has become traditional, is a source of keen gratification to His Majesty and his subjects."

Baron Uchida declared that it is the emperor's desire to maintain and strengthen the existing relations. President Taft replied:

"In accepting the credential letters you deliver in that honored capacity," he said, "I offer you, Ambassador, no less sincere assurance of the like desire and purpose of this government to aid you in the accomplishment of your mission and to do all that can be done to justify and continue the traditional friendship between our two governments and peoples."

POLICE EXAMINERS OUSTED BY COURTS

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—The city retiring board, which has been accustomed to decide on the physical condition of policemen and recommend retirement to the pension list, came under the ban of the courts today. In a ruling announced by Judge Scanlan of the circuit court, President Elton Lower of the city civil service commission, Health Commissioner W. A. Evans and Dr. W. L. Baum were ousted from the position of members of the retiring board and were fined 1 cent each for "usurping and intruding into, or unlawfully holding said positions or offices," on the retiring board. The legality of the retiring board was questioned by policemen, who feared that by reason of the medical and physical examination of the board they would lose their positions. The board already had retired scores of veteran policemen.

GOVERNMENT LAND HAS BEEN FENCED

Officials Make Demand on Holders to Tear Down Barriers.

PORT BIDWELL, Cal., Dec. 24.—The government has issued demands on many large landholders of this section to tear down the fences that they had built around large tracts of government land and thereby have been holding against settlement. Many thousands of acres have been held in this manner, depriving small stockmen, sheepmen and homesteaders of their rights. Some are tearing down the fences, while others will fight the request.

WILL REMARRY AFTER TWENTY-NINE YEARS

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 24.—After 29 years' separation during which time both married and were left alone by death, Eugene B. Pulford, a Sacramento merchant, will soon re-wed his former wife, and begin life anew where it was interrupted in New York in 1880 by a disagreement. Pulford not only will be reunited with the wife of his early manhood, but he gains a son who was born after the divorce court severed the matrimonial ties. The son hunted up his father last week while on his own honeymoon, and now his mother is speeding westward to meet her former husband to again stand before the altar with him.

EXPLORERS' CLUB VOTES TO DROP COOK FROM ROLLS

Declares the Doctor Never Reached Summit of Mt. McKinley.

COMMITTEE MAKES FINDINGS PUBLIC

"Cook Broke Agreements and Misstated the Facts."

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—The board of governors of the Explorers' Club met today in legislative session and, standing in silence, voted with bowed heads that Dr. Frederick A. Cook be dropped from the rolls of the club for frauds practiced on its members and on the public.

Coming hard upon the heels of the crushing verdict lately rendered by the University of Copenhagen, the action of the Explorers' Club today is the result of independent investigations which in no way touch upon the polar controversy, and the weight of its disapproval thus becomes cumulative.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Preliminary to its vote of expulsion the board met to pass upon the report of its committee which has been investigating the validity of Dr. Cook's report that he had reached the top of Mount McKinley. This committee, in concluding an exhaustive report, said:

"Dr. Cook's claims that he ascended to the summit of Mount McKinley in 1906 are rejected by the Explorers' Club as not worthy of credence."

The committee's recommendation was based on the finding that "Dr. Cook had repeatedly made statements that had not been in accord with facts and that he had entered into agreements which he had failed to keep, and that the mis-statements, and broken agreements deal not only with matters appertaining to discovery, but to ordinary transactions, so that no credence can be placed in statements made by him."

COOK'S FRIENDS SIGN REPORT.

Among the seven signatures appended to this arraignment are those of Caspar Whitney and Anthony Fiala, both personal friends of Dr. Cook. The committee is further explicit in its statement that it undertook its investigation only after first apprising Dr. Cook of its purpose, which he approved in person; and that it has disregarded entirely the testimony of Edward Barrill. Dr. Cook's guide, and of Frederick Printz, his packer—although such testimony was before them—because it wished no cloud of partisan contention, or question of financial interest to dim the integrity of its verdict.

WERE WITH COOK.

In addition to the findings of the committee as a whole, which are signed by Anthony Fiala, a polar explorer of note; Frederick S. Dellenbaugh, of the American Geographical Society; Professor Marshall H. Saxtme of the chair of archaeology in Columbia University; Walter S. Clark; Charles H. Townsend, director of the New York Aquarium; Henry G. Walsh, secretary of the Explorers' Club and Caspar Whitney—individual signed reports were submitted by Herschel C. Parker, professor of physics at Columbia, and Belmore Brown, both of whom were members of the Cook McKinley expedition, and by Charles Sheldon, who has recently returned from a year's residence on the slope of Mount McKinley, where he went with the express purpose of studying the configuration of the mountain with a view to the possibility of its ascent.

Professor Parker reports that he was a partner with Dr. Cook in the McKinley expedition, both physically and financially.

COOK'S PLAN UNFEASIBLE.

Dr. Cook assumed the lead with a plan that proved unfeasible and the party escaped with their lives, thanks to the local knowledge of Belmore Brown.

"It was perfectly understood," said Professor Parer, "that after the misadventure, all further attempts were to be abandoned for the season. Otherwise I would not have left the expedition."

SIDETRACKED OTHER MEMBERS.

Instead of this, Dr. Cook, it is charged, sidetracked all members of the expedition until there remained only Cook, his guide, Parrill and one packer, who subsequently was got rid of also. These defections left Dr. Cook, says Professor Parker, no instruments capable of measuring the altitude he says he attained. Moreover, he adds, the summer's experience had shown that, of all the party, Dr. Cook and Barrill were the least fitted physically for arduous mountain climbing.

TOOK NO OBSERVATIONS.

Belmore Brown, in the main confirms Professor Parker, and says also that in Dr. Cook's book there is not one date given from the time he left the Chulina river. This makes intelligent criticism impossible, he declares. He asserts further that he never saw Dr. Cook make a single aneroid barometer reading in the whole trip. Confirming a charge that previously has been made, he says that Dr. Cook was known to be in serious financial straits and would have had great difficulty in getting out of Alaska if he had not represented that he had attained the summit of Mount McKinley.

MORE DISCREPANCIES.

Brown fortifies his charges with the declaration that Cook and Barrill had no ice creepers and that, though Dr. Cook afterwards told Professor Parker he (Cook) and Barrill were roped together every foot of the last stages, Professor Parker and Brown both remembered that they destroyed the climbing rope as defective before they quit the expedition. Furthermore, in none of the pictures published in Dr. Cook's book does a climbing rope appear.

Brown and Sheldon also represent that various photographs in Dr. Cook's book do not represent the peaks they are said to picture, and Sheldon denies that he is the author of the appendix to the book, which Dr. Cook credits to him.

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EXPLORERS' CLUB TO DROP COOK FROM ROLLS

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ACCOUNT INCREDIBLE.

The committee as a whole, therefore, concludes, in part, "that Dr. Cook's account of the ascent is not only such as to be unconvincing to the experienced mountaineer, but that, under analysis, it becomes incredible.

"That he entered into a secret financial agreement with a publisher which results in embarrassment to his associates.

"That he broke his agreement with his fellow club members to supply his original photographs and data upon which his book was based."

Other conclusions of the committee may be summarized as follows:

That the Mount McKinley expedition abandoned the ascent of the mountain in 1906, agreeing that no further attempt should be made to reach the summit that season and with that understanding, Professor Parker set out at once for the coast.

SENT BROWN AWAY.

That Dr. Cook persuaded Brown to commerce the collection of natural history specimens in a locality that would take him well out of the neighborhood of the last operations of the party.

That Dr. Cook, taking with him the guide, Barrill, proceeded farther toward the mountain with the declared object of examining glaciers, but apparently to ascertain some readily accessible part of the mountain to secure photographs and other data, upon which to base a claim of having ascended the highest peak and to remain absent a sufficient length of time for the accomplishment of the ascent alleged.

WAS WITHOUT EQUIPMENT.

That he did not have with him the proper equipment and facilities, such as footwear, proper life lines, instruments for recording altitude, etc., for such an undertaking.

That Dr. Cook's action in attempting the ascent (whether possible or not) immediately upon the departure of the rest of the party after entering into an agreement with them that no further attempt would be made for the season, was unfair to his associates.

That the opinion of the committee is to the effect that it would be utterly impossible to ascend the glaciers and frozen snow slopes wearing the rubber shoe packs which Dr. Cook states in his book he wore while making the ascent.

CONTRADICTS HIMSELF.

That Dr. Cook's description of the northeast ridge of Mount McKinley which is the ridge by which he claimed to have reached the peak, is in reality a description of the southeast ridge. The former ridge was explored by him on a previous expedition and in his book he declares it impossible as a route to the peak.

PEARY NOTHING TO SAY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Commander Peary, president of the Explorers' Club, when told tonight of the expulsion of Dr. Cook, refused to discuss the matter further than to make the following statement:

"All the information I have on the subject I have received from the newspapers. Aside from that I know absolutely nothing of the affair. None of the governors has ever spoken or even written to me anything concerning the investigation. It is a matter in which I have no more connection than if I were not even a member of the Explorers' Club."

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MILLIONS OF BUGS TO HELP FARMERS

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 24.—The state insectary has received 114 pounds of lady bugs, numbering millions, shipped by Field Agent Whitney from Humbug Canyon, Placer county. They were collected from moss beds, where they hibernate and carried by mule back to the railroad. The bugs are intended for distribution among the melon and cabbage growers of the Imperial valley and any other applicants whose vines are attacked by the aphis pest.

WHITE GIRL MARRIES NEW ORLEANS JAP

TACOMA, Dec. 24.—Henry S. Yamishita, a Japanese, and Maude Lawrence, a white girl of 18, were married here today. The pair came from San Francisco accompanied by the bride's mother and will live in this city. They met in New Orleans.

CAPTAIN OF "ROOSEVELT" WILL NOT GO TO ANTARCTIC

ST. JOHNS, N. F., Dec. 24.—Apparently content with his Polar laurels, Captain "Bob" Bartlett, commander of the Peary Arctic steamer Roosevelt, will not go in search of the South Pole as a member of the British Antarctic expedition under Lieutenant Scott. Captain Bartlett has notified the owners of the sealing steamer Southern Cross that he will accept the command of that vessel and will not join the Antarctic expedition.

GOVERNMENT LAUNCH SINKS.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24. — The government launch, Captain Smead, with four persons on board, while going from Fort McDowell to the military discharge camp on Angel island last night, struck a reef near the shore of the island and sank. The occupants of the little craft were rescued by the federal tug, General Alexander.

DOES NOT PROVIDE FOR PARKS.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 24.—The second will of George Rhodius, which instead of giving $750,000 to the city of Indianapolis for parks, as did his first will, leaves the greater part of his million dollar estate to a woman known as Elma Dareor Doddsworth, will be filed for probate in a few days, according to an announcement by her attorneys today.

VETERAN KILLED BY FALL.

SEATTLE, Dec. 24.—Major A. S. Reed, aged 70 years, an inmate of the Soldiers' Home at Sawtelle, Cal., who had been visiting friends at Sunnydale, near here, was instantly killed yesterday by being thrown from a carriage in which he was riding. His neck was broken by the fall.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 24.—By unanimous vote today, the Southern California Teachers' Association decided to support and become part of the Affiliated Council of Education of California.

PROCEEDINGS TO DISBAR HEINZE'S ATTORNEY.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—The Bar Association of New York filed charges with the appellate division of the supreme court today against Sanford Robinson, chief counsel for F. Augustus Heinze, alleging that he is "guilty of deceit, malpractice and gross unprofessional conduct."

Robinson was fined $250 last summer for alleged connection with the alleged disappearance of books of the United Copper Company sought by the Federal grand jury. It is with reference to this case that the bar association now seeks his disbarment.

ANDREW CARNEGIE'S CHRISTMAS GREETING.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—"We have abolished slavery, but there remains the greater sin of the killing of man by man. It devolves upon our race to teach the civilized world that international disputes must be settled by law and the reign of international peace established. This is the most propitious time for spreading such thoughts over the world."

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ADMITS ARMENIANS TO CITIZENSHIP

Boston Judge Says Asiatics and Europeans Have Been Badly Mixed.

BOSTON, Dec. 24.—In admitting four Armenians to citizenship, Judge Lowell in the United States Circuit Court today said that Western Asiatics have become so mixed with Europeans in the last twenty-five centuries that it is impossible to tell whether they should come under the statutes excluding inhabitants of that part of the world and applied usually to the yellow race. Judge Lowell also held that Congress may amend the statutes to provide more specifically what persons may be admitted.

FATHER RACES TO BEDSIDE OF SON

PASADENA, Cal., December 24.—After a race across the continent through blizzards that delayed them until it was almost too late, Horatio Walker, an artist of New York, and his wife arrived here yesterday just as the surgeons were placing their son, Horatio Walker, Jr., under the influence of an anaesthetic preparatory to an operation for the removal of a kidney.

The younger man, a physician of note, had been waiting eagerly to say goodby to his father and mother, but despairing of seeing them gave the order for the surgeons to proceed. They arrived after he had been taken into the operating room, but were granted ten minutes' grace.

Dr. Walker survived the operation, but his condition is precarious today.

CLAIM SUCCESS WITH SHIP SUBSIDY

Bill Is Drawn Up Ready for Submission to Present Congress.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—A ship subsidy bill that can pass Congress and meet the approval of the President seems to be in sight. Congressman Humphreys of Washington and members of the Merchant Marine Committee of the House visited President Taft today and laid before him a bill introduced at the last session with amendments that have since been made. The amended bill met the approval of the President, it is said.

Humphreys and John Hays Hammond, a member of the committee that had the matter in charge, agreed that the bill would not be made public until it is introduced into Congress. Further than to say that the amended bill is neither a straight ship subsidy proposing subsidy by tonnage and voyage, nor a mail subsidy bill, no members of the committee would tell of its provisions.

It is known, however, that the amendments were worked out with the aid of the Merchant Marine League which has its headquarters at Cleveland, Ohio, and that have the support of the org...

UNCONSCIOUS ... WEEKS

LA SALLE, Ill., Dec. ...—Six weeks after she stumbled away from the black hole of the St. Paul mine shaft at Cherry, Ill., convinced that her two brothers were among the dead, Miss Margaret Brodinski of Kewanee today awakened in a hospital here for the first time since the disaster to a realization of her identity.

COLUMBIA LEADS AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES

A comparison of the enrollment of students in the larger American universities and colleges shows that Columbia is easily maintaining its recent lead. It now has 6,132 students registered and Harvard has only 5,558. Harvard shows signs of dropping behind Chicago, which has 5,487. Harvard indeed does not want any more students than it now has. Including summer season registration, the first ten universities show the following registration this year and last year:

	1909.	1908.
1. Columbia	6,132	5,675
2. Harvard	5,558	5,342
3. Chicago	5,487	5,114
4. Michigan	5,259	5,188
5. Cornell	5,028	4,700
6. Pennsylvania	4,857	4,555
7. Illinois	4,552	4,400
8. Minnesota	4,351	4,607
9. Wisconsin	4,245	3,876
10. California	4,084	3,751

Without the summer session registration the attendance rank of the universities is somewhat different. Yale drops to eleventh place, Chicago to fifteenth, Princeton to twenty-third. But the distinction between the summer and the winter sessions is rapidly losing its importance. The summer session has come to stay, offering ambitious and poor students opportunities to cut short their academic years and offering teachers and many others facilities for effective and thorough continuation work.

TABLOID ALCOHOL.

German inventors have at last produced a product which should minimize the casualties so frequently caused by the exploding of spirit lamps. This is no other than denatured alcohol in the form of solid cubes, which can be burnt in a special lamp by simply igniting them with a match. The cubes, which are about the size of a lump of sugar, look like gelatine and burn slowly with a hot, blue flame. They will not evaporate and are said to be cheaper, for the heat developed, than is liquid alcohol.—Van Norden Magazine.

PERSONAL MENTION

James M. Brooks of Sanger is at the Fulton.

George C. Frank of Raymond is a guest at the Grand Central.

Ed Hubbs of Hanford is registered at the Fulton.

Maurice Rorphuro left yesterday for San Francisco where he will visit his brother, Jules Rorphuro, the well known artist.

W. H. Castle of Porterville is stopping at the Fulton.

The following are registered at the Fulton from Coalinga: C. C. Johnson, J. M. Clarke, W. H. Cleveland, R. W. Kilby, Leroy Baird and wife, J. W. Galbraith and C. A. Eddleman.

Clovis is represented at the Grand Central by the following: A. C. Scott, Dr. F. R. Clay and wife, Frank P. Smith and J. H. Howard.

MANCHESTER ESTATE IS ADMINISTRATED

CINCINNATI, Ohio, December 24.—Much local interest was aroused by the cable dispatches regarding the will of the Dowager Duchess of Manchester. It is learned here that the Dowager Duchess, in her last will and testament, just probated, left her entire estate to the children of the Duke of Manchester and Helen, his wife, formerly Helen Zimmerman of Cincinnati. The value of the estate is estimated at between $5,000,000 and $6,000,000. Two-thirds of the estate go to the eldest son, Viscount Mandeville, when he becomes the tenth Duke of Manchester. In the event of his death before he becomes such, the two-thirds go to the second son, Lord Eugene Fernando Montague.

Viscount Mandeville, upon becoming the tenth Duke of Manchester, will get, in addition, Tandagree Castle and all of the property on the west coast of Ireland and considerable town property belonging to the Manchester estate. He will also get Kimbolton castle and Bramton castle, those last two places covering about 25,000 acres, within fifty miles of London. Kimbolton castle is the historic castle of the family.

The Duke and Duchess of Manchester get the income of the estate as long as they live and a town house in London. The other third of the estate is left in trust for the three remaining children of the Duke and Duchess of Manchester.

MARK TWAIN'S DAUGHTER DIES

Miss Jean Clemens Is Found in Bathtub of Connecticut Home.

REDDING, Conn., Dec. 24.—Mark Twain's invalid daughter, Jean, met death tragically this morning when at the bath, bringing poignant grief at Christmas time to "Stormfield," the country home of the great American humorist.

She was his youngest daughter, endeared to him not only by long companionship but by her frail health, caused by recurrent attacks of epilepsy. Her death leaves Clemens without kin in this country to share his sorrow, for his surviving daughter, Clara, recently married to Ossip Gabrilowitsch, a Russian pianist, is on her way to Europe.

Jean Clemens died not directly from drowning, as was first supposed, but more probably of strangulation due to an attack of epilepsy, or from heart failure. The body was found in the bath tub with the head only partly submerged and medical examination tonight showed that the lungs contained little water.

Miss Clemens had evinced physical weariness of late, probably induced by the excitement incident to her sister's departure for Europe and the recent return of her father from Bermuda. Yesterday afternoon she rode her favorite horse to the postoffice to get the early Christmas mail, and last night she cheerfully prepared a Christmas tree from which she had planned to distribute gifts tomorrow morning. On retiring she asked her maid to call her early, and when she arose this morning she went to the bath room, where her lifeless body was found later. Her failure to respond to the maid's knocking on the door revealed her death. With characteristic philosophy, Mark Twain is bearing up bravely. Hundreds of messages of condolence are arriving from all parts of the civilized world. Death had already taken from him his wife and daughter, Susan.

Jean Clemens was 30 years of age and was her father's close companion in his literary work. Since early womanhood she had been subject to epilepsy, but in recent years her health had improved, particularly last fall.

The body will be sent for burial to Elmira, N. Y., where the funeral will be held Sunday afternoon from the residence of Charles J. Langdon, an uncle.

It was said tonight that Clemens will not be able to leave for the funeral. He is now 74 years of age and his physicians discourage the unusual fatigue that would necessarily result from such a journey. For the present he will remain at Stormfield.

HAD GROWN BETTER.

Speaking of his daughter's death, Clemens said:

"My daughter, Jean Clemens, passed from this life suddenly this morning at half-past 7 o'clock.

"All the last half of her life she was an epileptic, but she grew better latterly. For the last two years we considered her virtually well, but she was not allowed to be entirely free. Her maid, who has served us twenty-eight years, was always with her when she went to New York on shopping excursions and such things. She had few convulsions in the last two years, and those she had were not violent. At 7:30 this morning a maid went to her room to see why she did not come down to breakfast and found her in the bath tub drowned. It means that she had a convulsion and could not get out.

"She had been leading a very active life. She spent the greater part of her time looking after a farm which I bought for her and she did much of my secretary work besides. She and I chatted later than usual in the library and she told me all her plans about the housekeeping, for she was also my housekeeper. I said everything was going on smoothly; that I thought I would make another trip to Bermuda in February and she said put it off till March and she and her maid would go with me. So we made that arrangement.

"But she is gone, poor child. She was all I had left, except Clara, who married Mr. Gabrilowitch lately, and has just arrived in Europe."

IS SEVERE SHOCK.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Samuel L. Clemens returned Monday from his winter vacation in Bermuda and went at once to his home in Redding, Conn. The author complained of pain in his left breast. Since the death of his close friend, Henry H. Rogers, a year ago, Mr. Clemens has felt much depressed, and the death of his daughter, his friends here fear, will prove a serious shock to him.

Miss Jean Clemens was one of the two surviving daughters of Mark Twain and was the one most intimately associated with his recent literary work. The other daughter, Clara, recently married the Russian pianist, Ossip Gabrilowitsch, and only two weeks ago bade her father good bye and departed for Europe with her husband. Miss Jean was the constant companion of her father, acting to some extent as his assistant, secretary and literary amanuensis. She was a young woman of varied accomplishments, having traveled widely and lived for a time in Germany.

Her literary tendencies followed those of her father and she had his vivacity of manner and to some extent resembled him in personal appearance. Her tastes were literary rather than social, so that she did not often appear at social gatherings. Her devotion to her father was shown only yesterday when she personally telephoned to the Associated Press a statement from her father humorously dismissing the report that he was dying. Miss Clemens at that time spoke affectionately of her father's good health and made cheery reference to his happy family reunion at the holiday season.

$12,500 CASH BAIL REJECTED BY COURT

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Charles Adams, charged with being the leader of a clique of swindlers that has cleaned up $250,000 in the last few years, posed as a penniless character when arraigned before a United States commissioner yesterday, but reversed himself and offered $12,500 cash bail today to escape spending Christmas in the Tombs. Federal authorities refused this amount with the statement that Adams had forfeited $30,000 bail after his arrest for a gold brick deal in Texas in 1900.

DEANS DISAGREE ON SOCIAL QUESTIONS

CHICAGO, December 24.—What is the proper hour for a young man to leave when calling on a co-ed?

What details of chaperonage should women deans follow in putting their girl charges through the social shoals?

What attitude shall the girls take toward students who drink and smoke in public places?

These and similar social code questions caused a clash in the fourth biennial conference of the Deans of Women of the State Universities yesterday. They had expected to adjourn late in the afternoon, but the schism caused an adjournment until today.

PHOTOGRAPHS HALLEY'S COMET.

BOSTON, Dec. 24.—Dispatches received today from Flagstaff, Ariz., stated that Prof. Leroy Lowell has successfully photographed Halley's comet. The picture shows an irregular formation, but a distinct nucleus, which is out of the center.

Prof. Lowell also has obtained a striking photograph of Saturn, in which the bands are clearly defined and the rings shown.

AERO PROGRAM IS TO BE AUTHORIZED

President of National Club Speaks of Visiting Los Angeles.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 24.—A telegram received tonight by the committee of the Merchants' and Manufacturers' Association, having in charge the proposed aviation meeting in this city in January, is taken to indicate that the Aero Club of America has given its unqualified sanction to the Los Angeles meeting and that there will be no hostility against the affair in any quarter from this time on.

The telegram is from Cortlandt Field Bishop, president of the Aero Club of America and states that the writer hopes to be able to accept the invitation to attend the meeting in his official capacity. Telegrams were also received today by Dick Ferris, general manager of the aviation events in Los Angeles, from Glenn H. Curtiss, Captain Thomas S. Baldwin and Captain John Berry, winner of the international balloon race from Indianapolis last summer. Curtiss says in his message that Fanciulli, his manager, has already started for this city, and that he will start on New Year's day. Baldwin's message is to the effect that he will compete in the aviation events here, and that he will pilot the army dirigible balloon of the government, which is to be sent to this city for trial flights. Captain Berry says he will ship three balloons to Los Angeles for the use of himself and two other pilots.

The aviation committee today officially selected the ground to be used for the flights of the heavier than air machines at Dominguez Junction, twelve miles from the city. A course of two and one-half miles will be laid off. The field will be known as "Aviation Camp" and will be made a permanent aviation field.

LATEST DIPLOMACY OF KAISER WILHELM

The latest success of William II is in a familiar field. Seized with the frequently recurring desire to ameliorate the somewhat strained relations existing between his own empire and the French republic, the kaiser has received and entertained unter vier augen one of the most illustrious exponents of French civilization and are now reigning on the boulevards, Mlle. Jeanne Granier. Of the exact details of that important interview the outside world is still ignorant, but enough has been disclosed to indicate the international significance of the incident. Indeed, French statesmen have unofficially suggested that the substitution of actresses for mere diplomats might restore French diplomacy to the supremacy it enjoyed in the days of Talleyrand.

In his effort to substitute for the somewhat formal and correct entente cordiale between France and Great Britain a genuine Franco-Prussian love affair the Emperor William has not rested with his interview with Mlle. Jeanne. On the contrary he has undertaken an even more original and appealing step—he has announced his intention to pay a visit to the Prince of Monaco. Not only will this excursion bring him within the shadow of French territory, but the recognition of this distinguished sovereign prince, himself a Frenchman in all but name, will be recognized as a delicate compliment by the whole republic.

The tact, the infinite delicacy and solicitude for tender French susceptibilities displayed by the kaiser in his present diplomatic undertaking will not escape the attention of the most casual of observers. In France the effect has already been enormous. Too early as yet to have had any influence upon the course of official action, they have unofficially provoked an applause characteristic of that mercurial nation. —New York Sun.

DEATH IN COLLISION

MASON CITY, Ia., Dec. 24.—Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul passenger train No. 103, plunged into a Rock Island passenger train at a crossing near Plymouth this afternoon, killing Patrick O'Neil, a land seeker, and seriously injuring C. K. Hildreth of Kenneth, Iowa. Several others were also injured.

FLASHLIGHT ON CHURCH.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Doing away with the bell as a summons for churchgoers at night, the pastor will flashlight a powerful searchlight from the belfry of the First Reformed Church in Brooklyn.

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STATE CONSERVATORS TO HOLD A MEET

Will Convene to Denounce Work of National Forest Bureau.

SPOKANE, Dec 24.—A general convention of the state conservation advocates is to be held in Spokane this winter. At that meeting delegates from every section of the West will be invited and the fight organized to put the saving of the forests, water power, coal and mining districts in the hands of the different states instead of under control of the national government. A call for a preliminary meeting has been issued by a special committee of the Spokane branch of the American Mining Congress, which states:

"The residents of the Western states have been asked to surrender their forests, not alone to the Federal control, but all revenue therefrom to the Federal treasury, and now pay grazing charges on public lands which have been free for the use of the pioneer heretofore, from the foundation of our government.

"Without consulting the interests or wishes of the residents of these states, it is now proposed to withdraw the water powers and to raise the price on the coal lands.

"If the revenue of these resources and their control are to be withheld from the residents of the states in which they exist, the previous design of the United States government will have changed to one which will discourage the pioneer, will retard the development, and forever put the Rocky Mountain and Pacific Coast states under a heavy handicap."

ARMORY IS BURNED.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 24. The fourteenth regiment armory, Pennsylvania National Guard, was tonight totally destroyed by fire. The loss is $100,000. Fourteen thousand blank cartridges exploded, adding to the hazardous work of the firemen.

BURNED TO DEATH.

VENTURA, Cal., Dec. 24.—William Turnbull was burned to death today in a fire which destroyed his cabin in Eureka canyon. The young man lived alone on a claim. His home formerly was at Shoreham, Mass., where his parents reside.

WORK WEAKENS THE KIDNEYS

Doan's Kidney Pills Have Done Great Service for People Who Work in Fresno.

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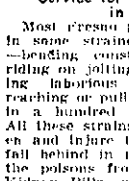

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MURDER MYSTERIES ARE CLEARING UP

Half Indian of Hoopa Valley Is Indicted for a Second Time.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24.—The Federal grand jury today brought in an indictment against James Donnelly, half-caste Indian of Hoopa Valley reservation, charging him with the murder of Oscar Chapman, the storekeeper of the reservation.

This is the second murder indictment against Donnelly, he having pleaded not guilty several days ago to the charge of murdering Chickasaw Harkanap, an Indian of the reservation, who was shot and killed six years ago.

The evidence that led to the finding of the indictment against Donnelly was secured by Deputy United States Marshal Prentice of Eureka, who has been at work on the Chapman murder since last March. It was while working on this case was that evidence was discovered which led to the indictment charging Donnelly with the murder of Harkanap.

Ten murders have been committed in the district where Chapman was killed during the past six years, and Donnelly is the first man arrested for any of them.

The United States marshal announced today that his deputies have secured evidence that will materially aid the county authorities in apprehending some of the murderers. Chapman was killed December 14th, 1908, while Harkanap was shot October 12th, 1907.

PEARY WILL GO NO MORE TO ARCTICS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Never again will he head another expedition either to the South Pole or to the North Pole. This announcement was made tonight by Commander Peary. He stands ready, however, to assist any expedition that contemplates setting out for either extremity of the earth.

"My work has been accomplished," said Commander Peary. "I made it known some time ago in Brussels that I would assist any expedition that would set out for the South Pole, and at the same time also said that I would not personally conduct such an expedition. I still hold to this and I have no intention of changing my mind."

DERELICT LUMBER SCHOONER ADRIFT

SEATTLE, Dec. 24.—The derelict lumber schooner, Susie M. Plummer, is drifting north and yesterday was off the mouth of the strait of Fuca. She probably will be picked up by a tug or some passing steamer and towed into port or destroyed.

It may be that there is on board the Plummer a clue to the fate of the crew of fourteen men. There is not much doubt that they were taken on board of some passing vessel. If their rescuer was a sailing vessel bound for a foreign port the men may not be heard from for months.

The Plummer, Captain Hansen, sailed from Everett December 5th, for San Pedro with a full cargo of lumber. The cargo was consigned to the Southern California Lumber Company and the Bisbee and Clark Company. The derelict was first sighted last Tuesday, 5015 miles south of Cape Flattery. The appearance of the Plummer indicates that all the sailors got away. The names of the sailors are not obtainable.

KATHERINE TINGLEY WILL SUPPORT FAIR

SAN DIEGO, Dec. 24. Katherine Tingley, head of the Universal Brotherhood and Theosophical Society of the World, has made application to the board of directors of the Panama California exposition, for a site for a building on the world's fair grounds and with the application comes a promise to aid in making the exposition which will be held in San Diego in 1915 a success. The subscriptions for fair stock are now close to the $500,000 mark.

LIBEL SUIT DISMISSED.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24. The libel suit brought against R. A. Crothers and Fremont Older, publisher and managing editor, respectively, of the Bulletin, of this city, by Luther Brown, was dismissed today on motion of Assistant District Attorney Ward, who declared that there was not sufficient evidence to warrant a conviction.

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UTAH GREATEST OF BATTLESHIPS

Daughter of Governor Spry Breaks Bottle Over Warship's Bow.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24.—Declared to have no equal afloat as a first class fighting machine, the battleship Utah, the greatest warship ever built in the United States, was launched at 11 a. m. today from the yards of the New York Shipbuilding company at Camden, N. J., in the presence of several thousand persons.

As the big hull started to leave the thickly greased ways, Miss Mary Alice Spry, of Salt Lake City, daughter of the governor of Utah, raised her arm and broke a gaily ribbonned bottle of champagne against the keel of the great ship, as she spoke the words that gave the vessel its name.

Launching of big warships on the Delaware river have become a common sight, but nevertheless the latest contribution to the American navy stirred the enthusiasm of the crowd, whose cheers and the din created by the whistles of the river craft continued several minutes.

Among those on the platform were representatives of the Navy Department, Governor Spry and members of his family, a congressional delegation, including the members from Utah, representatives of the Utah legislature and nearly all the officers of the shipbuilding company.

FIFTH BIG BOAT.

The Utah is the fifth of the all-big gun type of battleship for the United States navy to be launched. When completed she will be more powerful than the Delaware and the North Dakota, and her speed is expected to develop 20 3-4 knots or more an hour.

There will be ten 12-inch breech-loading guns in her main armament, mounted in five turrets on the central line of the ship. Two of the turrets will be forward, one amidships and two aft. Each turret will be protected by armor 8 and 12 inches thick and will be supplied with ammunition by electrical hoists from the magazines and shell rooms immediately below. The entire handling of the guns will be done by electric motors.

Sixteen 5-inch guns protected by armor of medium thickness will be provided for defense against torpedo boat attacks. Close sub-division and strong bulkheads will form additional protection against mine and torpedo explosions.

TORPEDO TUBES.

The Utah will also be fitted with two submerged torpedo tubes and will have ten small guns for boat service and saluting purposes.

The main armor belt of the great ship will be about 8 feet wide, with an average thickness of 10 inches. Above this will be another belt of an average thickness of nine inches and still higher will be the casement armor protecting the secondary battery and funnel bases.

Each barbette will be made of armor varying from 1 to 10 inches in thickness and will protect the entire ammunition handling machinery for the 12-inch guns in the turrets above.

Ten turbines, six for ahead and four for astern, capable of developing 28,000 horse power, will be installed.

Steam will be supplied by twelve water tube boilers and coal or oil may be used for fuel. The two smoke-stacks on the ship will extend 70 feet above the water line.

The Utah will be fitted for a flagship and her complement as such will consist of a crew of 1000, of whom sixty will be officers.

While the Utah will have no equal when completed she will not hold that position long, as the naval program following the one which called for two ships of the Utah class, provided for vessels that will be considerably heavier. These later ships will mount two more 12-inch guns than the Utah and will have a heavier secondary battery.

WOMAN PLEADS NOT GUILTY OF HUSBAND'S DEATH

NEW ALBANY, Ind., Dec. 24. Mrs. Pearl Armstrong, charged with the murder of her husband, pleaded not guilty today. The session of court was held in the county jail owing to Mrs. Armstrong's condition. The trial was set for December 30.

SALE OF STEAMERS.

BOSTON, Dec. 24. A plan to wind up the affairs of the Metropolitan Steamship Company by the sale of its four freight steamers and the transfer of the turbine passenger boats Harvard and Yale, to a new Pacific coast line, was announced today by John W. McKinnon and the Assets Realization Company, the legal purchasers of the property at a recent foreclosure sale.

It is expected the sale of four freight steamers together with the good will, will be sufficient to retire $1,000,000 of the Metropolitan's $2,500,000 of 5 per cent first mortgage bonds. Should the last steamers Yale and Harvard be sent to the Pacific they would enter into competition with the boats of the Pacific Coast Company.

THIRTY YEARS FOR YOUNG THUG

LOS ANGELES Dec. 24. Thirty years in Folsom prison was the sentence imposed in the superior court today upon Floyd H. Franklin, the young man who struck down aged David Cohen, in the latter's jewelry store three weeks ago and fled with a handful of gems. Franklin had pleaded guilty and appealed to be admitted to probation. After the attack upon Cohen, the robber was pursued and captured by a crowd of citizens. Cohen is still critically ill as the result of his injuries.

SHOT AT ANNOYING BOYS.

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 24. Because several boys who had been playing in a vacant lot next to his house would not stop when he demanded, J. Hornby, a resident of Oak Park, a Sacramento suburb, today fired at them with a shot gun. Earl Leslie was struck in the back and hand by the shot but was at such a distance that no serious injury resulted. Hornby is under arrest charged with assault with a deadly weapon.

NEPHEW OF FAMOUS IRISHMAN.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 24. James D. O'Connell, a nephew of Daniel O'Connell, the famous Irishman, died here today. He was 45 years of age and formerly resided in San Francisco, where he was in the insurance business.

WANTED FOR DESERTION.

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 24. ——quisition was issued today by the governor's office for Thomas Luther Williams, who is charged with having abandoned his wife in Colusa. Williams is under arrest in Nevada.

FIVE YEARS' TIME

SAN JOSE, Dec. 24.—Joseph Mendoza was sentenced this morning in the superior court to five years in San Quentin prison for holding illicit relations with a 13-year-old girl of Watsonville.

CHRISTMAS CHEER FOR NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Dec. 24. Christmas cheer from Europe for thousands in America was brought by the liner Teutonic, which arrived today with 4,100 sacks of Christmas mail. Mrs. Russell Sage made her custom Christmas offering to Central Park employees today. This year her gift amounted to $1,925, consisting of 385 five-dollar gold pieces, one for every man and woman in the park paid less than $3 a day.

Bluejackets from the ten battleships of the Atlantic fleet already in port for the Christmas holidays, overflowed the city today and tonight. When the six other battleships of the fleet steam up the harbor to their anchorages in the Hudson, more than 10,000 jackies will demand shore leave and most of them get it.

CONFIDENT BANK WILL BE SOLVENT

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24.—Judge J. A. Seawell of the Superior Court today ordered the receiver of the defunct California Safe Deposit and Trust Company to declare a 10 per cent dividend to the depositors on February 10, 1910.

The court announced that this order was made to allow the rehabilitation committee to finish its work. In an announcement made to the court by the attorneys for the committee today, they declared that they had received assignments from 30 per cent of the depositors and that all that stands in the way of the complete rehabilitation of the institution is the securing of 5,000 shares of the stock of the bank. It is the plan of the committee to levy an assessment on this stock and declare it delinquent on February 8th.

If the plans of the committee are realized, the bank will be declared solvent when Receiver Le Breton appears before the court to declare the 10 per cent dividend on February 10th.

MINERS' HOUR LAW UPHELD BY COURT

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24. — The constitutionality of the state statute fixing the 8-hour law regarding miners was upheld by the Supreme court today in habeas corpus proceedings brought for Fred J. Martin, superintendent of the Utica mine at Angels Camp. Martin was arrested on three separate charges of violation of the law. The decision holds that the law deals only with the hours of actual labor. In one of the charges against the mining official it was alleged that he had compelled an employe to make the trip to and from his place of labor on his own time, which practice the court sustains.

TWO MILLIONS FOR FAIR AT WINNIPEG

WINNIPEG, Man. Dec. 24. — Railways in Western Canada made joint arrangements tonight for a gift of $2,000,000 for a world's fair in Winnipeg, provided it is postponed until 1914.

AUDITOR MUST PAY BURNS' SALARY

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24. City Auditor John A. Koster was ordered today by the Supreme Court to comply with the demand of District Attorney Langdon and audit the salary warrants of William J. Burns, formerly a special investigator in the employ of the district attorney's office in connection with the graft cases and those of Burns' assistants. Burns' salary was $625 a month and that of each assistant $150. Suit to compel payment was brought by Langdon when Koster rejected the warrants.

DEAD MAN IDENTIFIED.

RED CLIFF, Colo., Dec. 24. — The body of the old prospector who was found frozen to death about a week ago, six miles from Red Cliff, has been identified as that of Melvin Kilton of Bedford, New Hampshire. Kilton, who was 76 years of age, was on his way to California to visit a brother when he disappeared. He is supposed to have got off the train at Red Cliff and either with the idea of doing some prospecting or because he had become temporarily unbalanced, wandered off into the timber of the foothills and perished. Coyotes had devoured the face of the dead man and made identification difficult.

JAPAN IS PLEASED WITH NEW CHINESE MINISTER

CHICAGO, Dec. 24. — Baron Y. Uchida, the new Japanese ambassador to the United States, and Baroness Uchida were in Chicago today.

"We are pleased to have Mr. Calhoun as minister to China," said the Baron. "We know he will please China. Many of us have met him and like him.

"We stand for an open door policy, especially toward Manchuria. We have been accused of conducting relations with Manchuria solely for the benefit of Japan. This is wrong. We greatly desire to develop the railway between Mukden and Antung, which is owned by our government."

THEY PERMITTED CHINESE TO ESCAPE ASHORE

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24. — For permitting Chinese who applied on the steamer Mongolia to escape in spite of the orders of the night of December 1 the officers were arraigned in the United States court today. Seven of the Chinese were stowaways and one a head tax on the steamer. They were arrested a short distance from the dock, but sent to detention facility after having answered the questions of the board. The punishment of the immigrations officers was made light as the exact place at which the illegal landing was made could not be definitely fixed and responsibility could not be fixed upon any one man.

BURGLARS START FIRE IN A FURNITURE STORE

AUBURN, Cal., Dec. 24. Burglars entered the store in the Lukens & Sons furniture store here yesterday, piled up over a hundred dollars worth of curtains and portieres in a basket and after the store had closed loaded up on more valuables and then started two fires in the building. One of the owners saw the blaze and prevented a conflagration. The loss by fire and theft is about $500. The burglars escaped.

WIDOW OF FIRE CHIEF KILLED IN ENGINE HOUSE

CARTHAGE, Mo., Dec. 24. Mrs. Charles Shipp, a widow of the chief of the fire department, was killed by falling through a trap door in the second floor of an engine house today. Shipp's funeral occurred yesterday. Mrs. Shipp had gone to the department headquarters to collect her husband's belongings.

LOTTERY AGENTS ARRESTED

CHICAGO, Dec. 24. Two men alleged to be foreign lottery agents were arrested today by postal inspectors. They were Samuel Freudenberg and Herman Kompel. Lottery tickets, lists of drawings and advertising matter exploiting the lotteries were seized.

Advertising matter of the "One Hundred and Fifty-sixth Royal Saxony Lottery" found in the Freudenberg house said that the total amount of money to be distributed would be 16,068,200 marks—nearly $4,000,000.

AFRICA LEADS IN INCREASE OF GOLD

World's Production of the Precious Metals for Year 1908.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24. — The world's production of gold and silver for the calendar year 1908 is estimated by the Bureau of the Mint, based upon the official and unofficial information, to have been: Gold, 21,378,480 fine ounces of the value of $441,952,200; silver, 263,186,370 fine ounces of the commercial value of $165,654,400.

Compared with 1907, an increase in the production of gold of $31,276,900, and in silver an increase of 18,992,300 fine ounces was shown. The greatest increase in the product of gold in any country of the world was in Africa, which increased from $151,693,600 in 1907 to $186,520,500 in 1908. The increase in the United States was $4,124,300. Mexico's increase was $3,690,100.

The largest increase in the production of silver was in Mexico and amounted to 12,517,000 fine ounces. Canada followed with an increase of 3,328,200 fine ounces. Silver production in the United States as compared with 1907, decreased 4,074,009 fine ounces.

KARPOFF CLEARED OF SUSPICIONS

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 24. — The official investigation has determined that Colonel Karpoff, chief of the secret police who was assassinated yesterday, was the victim of a revolutionist employed as a government spy. The theory that Karpoff was preparing bombs when killed was completely disproved. Verakressensky, the assassin, was denounced by Vladimir Boutzeff, the revolutionist, in a magazine article published last month.

WHAT HAS BECOME OF SCHOONER'S CREW

SEATTLE, Dec. 24. — Mystery veils the fate of the fourteen men of the four masted schooner Sus'e M. Plummer, which is drifting abandoned in the ocean south of Cape Flattery, a menace to navigation. It is supposed the crew was taken off by a passing vessel. The Plumaier was carrying lumber from Everett to California. She is owned in San Francisco.

NEW CABINET IS FORMED BY PORTUGUESE PROGRESSIVES

LISBON, Dec. 24.—The formation of a new Progressive cabinet was announced today. It includes President Beirao and Minister of Foreign Affairs A. E. Villaca.

The Cortes will reassemble on January 2nd but will adjourn for two months to permit the government time for the preparation of a program of reform.

THREE LIVES LOST IN FIRE.

GLOVERSVILLE, N. Y. Dec. 24.—Following the practical destruction of the Keystone hotel yesterday, three lives were lost today in a fire that destroyed the Keystone stables.

Three men had remained up all night guarding the ruins of the hotel and at noon went to sleep in the stables. Soon afterward the building was discovered to be in flames.

TO INSPECT WEST POINT.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—To ascertain on the spot the needs of the military academy, Chairman Hull of the House committee on military affairs has appointed a sub-committee consisting of Representatives Capron, Bradley, Stevens, Anthony, Tilson, Evans and Dent, who with a similar sub-committee from the Senate, will visit West Point early in January.

TO SUCCEED BURDETTE.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 24. The pulpit committee of the Temple Baptist church of this city tonight unanimously decided to ask Rev. J. Whitcomb Brougher of Portland to reconsider his refused to accept the pastorship made vacant by the resignation of Rev. Robert J. Burdette. It is understood that Rev. Brougher will accept the pastorate.

CUBAN LOTTERY A FAILURE.

HAVANA, Dec. 24.—The extraordinary Christmas drawing of the National lottery, from which the government expected to derive $500,000, proved a failure. Only 18,000 of the 20,000 tickets were sold. The capital prize was won by a club of eight bricklayers and masons in Havana.

The drawing probably will show a deficit on the government side.

DIES FROM BURNS.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 24. Mrs. Henry Elliott, 55 years of age, died at the county hospital today as the result of burns received when her clothing caught fire from a gasoline stove. The woman's husband, an employe of the Pacific Electric railroad, was badly burned while attempting to smother the blaze.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Because it is the name-day of the Christ-child, and the most universal festival of Christendom; because as a seasonal festival it was already ingrained in the instinct and tradition of our race, even before the coming of the Christ-child; because it is the day when Jew and gentile, Christian and agnostic, unite in a common custom and spirit, but a varied symbolism; because it is the day in which the message of the Christ is received even by those who call not on his name; because it is the home festival and the children's festival; because it comes in the dark season and the dull season, when in most of the world brightness of heart must take the place of brightness of sky; because it is the day around which cluster the most vivid childhood memories, and the day which we know our children will longest remember, after we are gone—Christmas is the best day of all the year to all our world. On this day love prevails over hatred, unselfishness over greed. In the name of a Child, the little children lead us, toward the glimpse which only they can give of the kingdom of heaven.

It is a day of giving and receiving, but best is giving. And best of all is giving to the children, for they can give nothing in return except happy smiles, or perchance some trinket, worked by clumsy fingers or bought with meager pocket money. With the children, giving never becomes barter. For the loving thought that buys, or the loving happiness that smiles return, there is no measure, in money or goods. And because there is no measure, let us call it measureless.

So in churches and Sunday schools and homes—wherever the children are—today is the day of days. But in banks and offices and shops—wherever men are wont to toil and strive—it is silent and empty. Today we give to the things that have worth in themselves. Yesterday and tomorrow are for the things that have worth for what can be got for them.

THE OLD HOME

In how many Fresno homes does this Christmas-tide bring up the memory of other holiday times, in the far-away "old home!" Perhaps it is some Jul, in far-away Denmark, where it is bitter cold outside, and the morning twilight scarcely ends before the evening twilight begins, but inside all is brightness and warmth, with Christmas cakes, and the laughter of young people, and old wives' tales of elves and trolls. Or it where the Edeltanne is set out for sale, and the peasant women chaffer and bargain, or the home, with the double casement windows, the high porcelain stove, the Christmas punch, and the Hallorenkuchen, or whatever may be the local seasonal cakes. Or, in brighter Italy or Spain, it is the crowds in the streets, the processions of the Christ-child, and the gathering in the candle-lighted churches. Perhaps it is a house of wood, on the banks of the far Volga, where the samovar bubbles merrily, and the smoke of the mist-hnik is pungent in the air. The loved pastor admonishes the sheepskin coated villagers, and the customs of old Germany and older Russia are mingled indistinguishably. Far off on the plain of Mousb, a stricken people pray that Christ may come again, and that the doye of peace may return to Ararat. Or, in American homes of longer descent, there come up memories of a high-pitiared manor-house in the old South, when Christmas was celebrated with fireworks, and the care-free negroes sang songs of a plaintive joy. Or there comes to the white-haired New England pioneer the memory of the Puritan days, when Christmas was ignored but gift-giving was on New Years', and of the spread of Christmas customs; the nuts and raisins, the apples and cider, and the roaring fire on the hearth. There are memories of prairie homes, settled in what was then the West, of patient hardship and simple happiness, and of the growth of that West until it became the center of things, and assimilated to itself the Christmas customs of all lands and sections. There are memories of the yule-log and Christmas carols of merrie England, and the Noel of France. In almost every home, this Christmas Day brings back some old and distant picture, which time and space can not dim. The world is very small, this Christmas Day, and we are all near together. But the old days come no more back, the old faces live only in memory, the old places are no more. We can only hope, in honor of those memories, to make the present equally dear to the memory of those who in the long future, from we can not guess where, will look back to today, and to us.

STATE CONSERVERS

Everybody is a conservationist, now. A general convention of "state conservation advocates" is scheduled to be held at Spokane soon. Those calling this convention put forth a few plausible arguments about preserving the revenues of the natural resources of the states, but mostly they shout about preserving the opportunity of getting at these resources to the "pioneers." Which means that in the phrase "state conservation," all the emphasis is on the "state," and the "conservation" is a bluff. These "state conservationists" have no interest in the state revenues. Neither have they any interest in conservation. What they want is to get rid of any sort of government protection of the natural resources. They favor "state regulation" simply because they are convinced the states would not regulate.

There is one really logical "state conservationist," who really means it. That is Congressman Smith, of California. Mr. Smith has convinced himself that state regulation would be really more effective than national regulation. Also, he is convinced that state regulation is constitutional, while national regulation is not. For these reasons, he favors state regulation. Possibly he will be right, some day, when we get new state laws and a new sort of state government. But nearly all the other arguments for state regulation is made on behalf of those who really prefer no effective regulation at all.

Mark Twain is old and broken, but only yesterday he had his daughter telephone a merry denial of the report of his death. Today, that daughter is dead, and the lightest heart our literary world has produced is bowed in desolation. The world has laughed with Mark Twain. Now it will grieve with him.

Evidently Zelaya had Ruef outclassed as a grafter. But then, Zelaya lived in a better environment, to learn the business. Would that Ruef had realized his opportunities and gone to Nicaragua.

PEARY MAY GO TO SOUTH POLE

Discusses Prospects of an Expedition and May Lead It.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Commander Peary strongly intimated tonight in a speech at the banquet of the New England society that the expedition which he led successfully to the North Pole might also try for the South Pole. However, he did not commit himself definitely as to his own share in such an expedition.

"The stars and stripes have been planted at the North Pole," said Peary. "It would seem a fitting sequel to that work if the organization, the personnel, the material, the equipment, the methods so perfected, might be directed toward the South Pole, with the possibility that the stars and stripes should be placed on both ends of the earth's axle."

Commander Peary's reference to the "personnel" was taken by many to mean that he might lead an expedition into the Anarctic as he proposed, and wild applause greeted it. But those familiar with Peary's repeated and positive declarations that he is done with polar explorations forever, believed that he meant to exclude himself.

Asked unequivocally if he intended to lead such an expedition, he said:

"I am prepared to assist in the organization of such an expedition to set out from the United States in an endeavor to reach the South Pole."

This reply, evidently well worded, still leaves open the main question at issue.

PEARLS WORTH $750,000 FOR CHRISTMAS GIFT

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.—Probably the most splendid and costly Christmas gift that any woman in the world will receive this year will be a rope of magnificent pearls, costing $750,000, which George D. Widener will present to his wife, who was Miss Eleanor Elkins, the daughter of the late William Elkins, the traction magnate.

It is said to be the most costly string of pearls in the world and at a recent sale in New York it brought the highest price recorded for pearl necklaces. It is said that Widener intended the rope of gems, some of which are nearly as large as pigeon eggs and sufficient for a King's ransom, as a surprise for his wife, but the news of the intended gift has leaked out.

It is probable that society will soon have an opportunity to admire at first hand what is said to be the finest collection of pearls, gem for gem, that any woman has been privileged to wear.

WOMEN AS LEADERS IN WORLD'S REFORMS

Right under the eyes of men, but for the most part quite unsuspected by them, women are making over the world according to their ideas of what a world should be.

This may seem like an extravagant statement, but it is easily proved in three sentences, says Frances Maule Bjorkman, in the January Van Norden Magazine.

Of the great reform movement of the present, a large number have been originated by women.

In almost all great sociological or reform movements women have at least helped with the launching.

There is hardily one great movement today in which women are not taking an important part.

Mrs. Bjorkman proceeds to enumerate some of the big things the women have founded and led: The Nursing System in the public schools, Play Grounds, Play Centers, Pure Milk and Pure Food, Social Economics, Care of Infants, Anti-Child Labor Association, Woman's Trade Union League, Consumers' League, Municipal Beautification, Civic and Sanitary Improvement and Settlement Work. "All this the author points out is altruistic and of immense benefit.

WHEN MISSOURIAN BEATS MISSOURIAN

Senators Stone and Warner, both of Missouri, today had a lively tussle over precedence. Each was trying to make a big hit by introducing a bride bill.

Warner was standing. Mr. Stone arose and said: "Mr. President."

The Vice President said: "The junior senator from Missouri."

Stone thought that the designation hardly fit him and looked across the hall. He saw Warner standing.

"Am I the junior senator?" inquired Stone.

"The chair recognized the junior senator first because he saw him first," explained Sherman. Then Warner offered a bill authorizing the city of St. Louis to construct a bridge across the Mississippi river.

"The senior senator from Missouri," said the Vice President when Warner had sat down. Stone solemnly introduced a bill authorizing the city of St. Louis to construct a bridge across the Mississippi river.—New York World.

GOOD WORK OF GENERAL WOOD

There is nothing surprising in the announcement that Maj. Gen. Leonard Wood will succeed Maj. Gen. Franklin Bell as chief of staff on April 6, 1910. Gen. Wood has been the ranking officer officer of the army since Gen. Arthur MasArthur retired in June. The latter was head of the army for a considerable time, and the rank of lieutenant general expired with him. If any officer may be called "the head of the army" now, it is the senior major general, and not the chief of staff, unless he happens to be the senior major general. The term of the chief of staff is four years. Gen. Bell was appointed on April 6, 1906, and he has held the post with marked ability. We suppose that Gen. Leonard Wood made an application for the detail, or it was offered to him as senior officer of the army. Judging from the ability and independence he has shown in his reports as a department commander, he will make a zealous and energetic chief of staff, neither afraid of new ideas nor slow to assert himself. It may be predicted that he will have scant patience with red tape.—From the New York Sun.

In the Philippines his results setand out pre-eminently. For the particular class of work that was needed immehave ben no better officer than Gen. Wood proved himself to be. What success he would have had if called upon to manage a campaign in time of war no one, of course, can say. It is, nevertheless, a fact, however, that although there was much litterness at the time of his appointment as brigadier, he now has the respect and confidence of the vast majority of the commissioned officers of the army and the adoration of the file.

In the work that his hands have found to do he has been most diligentt, careful, and thorough. It is but fitting that he should be given the honor which seems now within his grasp, and there is no doubt that he will begin his duties with the best wishes of thwe whole army.—From the Philadelphia Inquirer.

EXECUTIVE EXPENSE SAME AS HOLLAND'S

The entire expense of the White House, including the salary of the President and cost of clerical and office assistants, is little more than the sum alloted by the Hollanders to Queen Wilhelmina, and is certainly not an extravagant ratio of expenditure, contrasting the proportions of the two countries.

The total appropriation for this year, including telephone service, automobiles, housekeeping, care of conservatory and greenhouses, printing, lighting and the multifarious trifles necessary to keep up such an establishment, is $277,255, the lowest sum expended in the maintenance of the White House since 1904, except during the last two years of the Roosevelt administration, when a record was made by keeping down expenses to about $160,000 each year. With the exception of these two years the expenses have been higher, chiefly owing to appropriations for repairs and additions, which vary from year to year. The highest executive expenditures are about one-tenth of the civil list in Germany and one-eighth that of England.—National Magazine.

SHOP EARLY.

I am a worn and broken man,
I'm sick and lame and blind;
Search from Beersheba clear to Dan,
No wreck like me you'llfind.
And yet—but one short year ago
A giant whole and hale
I was—but then I did not know
That awful Christmas sale!

We went downtown, the wife and I,
We went into a store;
I don't know what she wished to buy,
I don't care any more;
I saw her drawn and bloodless lip,
I know my face went pale
When, like a speeding battleship
We charged the Christmas sale!

One fatling madam knew no fear,
She took my nose a prize;
Six dozen hat brims slit my ear,
And hatpins gouged my eyes.
One damsel butted like a goat,
And when I raised a wail,
She crammed a bundle down my throat—
Such was the Christmas sale!

Oh, shopper, bait a polar bear,
Pay rattlers social calls,
Go pull a Turkish wrestler's hair,
Or shoot Niagara Falls:
Go beard the lion in his den,
Go twist his tasseled tail—
But, shopper, dear, I say again,
Shun—shun the Christmas sale!
From the Chicago News.

INDIANS BECOME GOOD WORKMEN

Common belief that there is no use in trying to make the Indian a good workman was confuted by the Blackfeet last year, when the men of that tribe saved the day for the Reclamation Service and made the Blackfeet irrigation project a great succes. Other kinds of labor simply could not be had. So the red man was the sole reliance of Director Newell and his assistants. They wanted to know just how many hours they were to work and the character of the work they were to do. Then they went at it with a will, and never did they shirk or make excuses. Once the time for quitting came, however, they "knocked off" with all the eagerness and promptness of union men. They displayed remarkable intelligence and eagerness to learn. Moreover, they gave evidence of a desire to take up the ways of the civilized world—to live in houses and observe the laws of health.—From Van Norden Magazine.

EASTERN LAND VALUES.

A recent issue of the Wall Street Journal comments upon the rise which has been noted in the value of Eastern farm land, and it will not be surprising if the attention of investors shall be turned in that direction as strongly as toward the South and West.

A few years ago there was common complaint in New York as well as in New England on account of the abandonment of farms and the inability of the owners to obtain anything like an adequate revenue from them. But it is probable that in the near future little of this will be heard.

The high price of farm products as well as of Western land is having the natural effect of forcing men to recognize that with proper management an Eastern farmer should find agriculture and horticulture profitable industries. Proximity to large markets suggests that the lack of profit in Eastern farming has been due in some measure to bad management or lack of industry, and if the future shows this to be true, Eastern farm values will continue to advance. The old states may then regain some of their lost prestige as contributors to the county's agricultural wealth.—Denver Republican.

Jefferson Revolution

The political revolution accomplished on March 4, 1801, when Thomas Jefferson was inaugurated president of the United States, with a Republican majority in Congress to support him, was in fact the beginning of American political institutions as we know them now. Before that time the constitution was held in light esteem, the Union was only an experiment, many conservatives still hoped for a monarchy, the republican form of government was not firmly established. Already the two schools of interpretation of the constitution had challenged each other to combat, but the division had not yet become geographical.

Thus far the entire political machinery had been in the hands of a certain aristocracy based on birth, wealth, and political traditions. Every state had its political families and circles in the highest society, which controlled the opinions of the respective parties or factions. There was no such thing as a leader sprung from among the people.

IMPATIENT WITH RADICALISM

One wing of the aristocracy became more and more impatient with the radicalism of the people, more and more disgusted with France and the French sympathizers, more and more inclined to return to a love of England and a reverence for English institutions. At the head of this faction was John Adams, who became president in 1797. Another faction of this aristocracy believed firmly in the future of the country, hoped to build up its industries, establish its credit, and make a great American nation out of the thirteen states which were loosely strung together "as a rope of sand." This section hoped to lead the people in political activity, rather than to permit the people to lead them. At the head of this wing stood the great constructive statesman, Alexander Hamilton.

Yet a third section of the aristocracy was aflame with self-immolating passion for the masses. Aristocrats socially and financially, these men denounced the rule of the upper classes and demanded that all power of government be vested in the popular majority. "Equal rights for all, special privileges for none" was their rallying cry. Young swells of the rich families dressed themselves in French fashion, aped the manners of the revolution, and hailed each other as "citizen," abolishing the aristocratic title of "Mister." Older men of the same families worshiped philosophy, liberty, fraternity, and equality. It was to them the age of reason. At the head of this branch of the aristocracy was Thomas Jefferson.

FEAR OF JEFFERSONIANS

The Federalists, led by Hamilton and Adams, firmly and sincerely believed that Jefferson and his Republicans would wreck the government, destroy religion, confiscate property, and repeat in America what the terror had been in France. The Republicans were as firmly convinced that the Federalists contemplated the overthrowing of the republic and the establishment of a monarchy. Each party believing that the life of the republic depended upon its success, the battle raged fiercely. When Washington left the presidency, the flood of angry political passions, so long restrained by his majestic personality, burst forth. The Federalists had possession of congress by a narrow margin, and the split between Adams and Hamilton early manifested itself. Jefferson was the acknowledged leader of the Republicans, and Burr was prominent only as a supporter of the great Virginian.

The Republicans did not sympathize with the attitude of the administration toward France, and refused to vote for the equipment to prosecute a war. The Republican press sympathized with France, and many opposition papers were conducted by foreigners. Whereupon the alien act was passed, giving the president the right to imprison and deport aliens practically at will. This was followed by the sedition act, which prescribed severe penalties for uttering or publishing libels upon the government, the president, or officers in authority. This gave the Federal courts jurisdiction over political libel cases, and brought forth a furious storm of protest. The Federal authorities began to enforce the law with rigor, and the whole country was plunged into a terrific political battle.

FROM JAIL TO CONGRESS

Matthew Lyon, a Republican member of congress from Vermont, was imprisoned for publishing a letter accusing, not directly but by inference President Adams of possessing "an unbounded thirst for ridiculous pomp, foolish adulation, and selfish avarice." Lyon wrote that when he saw an executive possessed of such a thirst he "would not be his humble advocate." Rather mild, as things have gone since that day, but it was enough to put Lyon in jail for four months. He was reelected to congress from jail, and later went to Kentucky, where he was more certain of a big Republican majority.

The Republicans, of course, attacked the sedition act as unconstitutional and as an abridgement of the rights of free speech and a free press. The Federalists declared it was necessary to prevent Republican newspapers from attacking the policy of the government, as it was apparent that Republican success would destroy not only the government, but religion, property, and everything else worth while. Jefferson was "an atheist in religion and a fanatic in politics." His followers were Jacobins. The words "populist" and "socialist" had not been invented in those early days.

Theodore Sedgwick was elected the speaker of the house in the last Congress controlled by the Federalist party, and the last made up of that exclusive aristocracy which laid the foundations of the great American republic. The congress met for the first time at Washington. The National Intelligencer was established in the new capital city, by Samuel Harrison Smith, a friend and supported of Jefferson. Jefferson was vice-president and from his chair in the senate chamber he directed his campaign for the presidency.

RIGHT OF NULLIFICATION

Jefferson had inspired the Kentucky and Virginia resolutions of 1798, and the right of congress to enact laws against the will of the states was questioned. In 1799 the second set of Kentucky resolutions, those not written by Jefferson, boldly proclaimed the right of nullification, afterward undertaken by New England in 1805, by South Carolina in 1832, and forever destroyed by the great civil war.

Speaker Sedgwick believed it to be his duty to save the nation from such outrageous radicalism. The National Intelligencer reported, without comment, the fact that the speaker had made an error in announcing the vote on a question of adjournment, and had been corrected by a recount. For that heinous offense the editor, Mr. Smith, was barred from the house and refused admittance to the galleries. The speaker said to him: "In my opinion your conduct has had no other object than to disgrace me and the government. The object of my order was to prevent you from giving any further statements of the proceedings of the house. You must not discuss any pending business, and must make no report of a proceeding until the house has finally passed upon it." The house divided equally on a motion to readmit Smith to the galleries, and the speaker cast the deciding vote against it.

Jefferson and Burr each received 73 electoral votes for president; Adams, 65; Pinckney, 64, and Jay, 1. The voters intended to choose Jefferson for president and Burr for vice-president, but, under the old rule of voting for two candidates, the highest to be president and the second vice-president the Republican candidates were tied. The tie vote cast the election in the house. The choice being limited by the constitution to the two highest names on the list, the Federal majority in the house was forced to choose between two radical Republican candidates. Jefferson was feared the more and a conspiracy to elect Burr was connected, with Sedgwick as one of its leaders.

BALLOTING FOR PRESIDENT

The house went into continuous session to ballot for president. Eight states voted for Jefferson, eight for Burr, and two were blank, there being an even division in the delegations from Vermont and Maryland. The speaker tried many times to break into the program with other business, and to throw the advantage to Burr, but without avail. One Republican member, who was very ill, was carried to the house three miles through a heavy snowstorm, but he did not falter. Finally, James A. Bayard of Delaware, founder of a great political family, deserted the Sedgwick hosts and voted for Jefferson, thereby ending the contest, after 30 hours.

After it had become apparent that the Republicans would control the next administration, President Adams resolved to save the Union if he could. The alien and sedition laws were to expire by limitation with the Adams administration. But Adams had recourse to his power of appointment. A new judicial bill was passed, increasing the Federal judiciary, and Adams appointed none but strong Federalists to the bench. Then he named John Marshall to be chief justice of the supreme court, thereby assuring the control of the final supreme power to the conservatives. Marshall sat on the beach for 34 years and wrought mightily. He found the constitution an uninterpreted document, which was accorded neither respect nor fear. He left it buttressed by the logic of his great legal mind and illumined by the light of his master intellect.

A NEW LEGISLATIVE ERA

When congress met in 1801 there was a new legislative era. The aristocrats were gone, the plain people were in a majority in the legislature, a majority they have ever since maintained. The aristocrats were to hold the presidency for many years, until the advent of Jackson, but the congress was no longer theirs. The Federalist party had received its mortal wound. But it had bequeathed to the Union the financial wisdom of Hamilton and it had assured to the future the constitutional wisdom of Marshall. It had failed to destroy the power of democracy. The good it did lived after it, its evil was buried with its bones.

The new congress chose Nathaniel Macon of North Carolina to be speaker, and immediately set itself to do the will of its master in the White House. From that day until this the people, the Congress and the president, by common consent, have refused to keep separate the legislative and executive branches of the government. Jefferson was the first president to take an active and controlling hand in the shaping of legislative policies. Fortunately, he was backed by sympathetic congresses, which rejoiced to do his bidding. But the precedent was then established, which has led to many bitter conflicts between the congress and the White House.—Washington Post.

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BETWEEN MARATHONS.

A Detroit judge the other day looked sharply at a woman who was before him asking for a divorce, and then said: "I recognize you. I gave you a divorce not quite three years ago. It was for cruelty. In less than a year you take up another man, marry him after a month's acquaintance, live with him two months, and then apply for another divorce. I won't hear your case. You'll have to go to some other judge." The woman went, and the other judge gave her the divorce. It seems that her second husband used to chase her with a shotgun when he got drunk—which was so often that there was hardly time to do the housework between Marathons.—From the Amarillo, Texas, News.

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WEATHER CONDITIONS

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24. The following maximum and minimum temperatures are reported from Eastern stations for previous day:

Chicago 24-18, New York 36-34; Omaha 26-24.

Synopsis and forecast. The pressure is falling on the Oregon coast and the winds have shifted to the southeast. A moderate disturbance is approaching and will probably extend southward, causing rain on Christmas day from San Francisco northward. The temperature continues below the normal in the great valley of California, but warmer weather may be expected by the end of the week. The relative humidity at Red Bluff was 73 and at Fresno 24.

The stage of the river at Sacramento is 14.0 and falling.

San Joaquin valley cloudy Saturday, with rain, warmer; moderate south winds.

GENERAL CONDITIONS

An area of high pressure covers the greater portion of the country east of the Mississippi river, but there is more or less cloudiness in that section and light snow flurries in the lake region and New England. It is generally warmer along the Gulf coast and in the southern Rocky mountain region. Zero temperatures are reported from Montana and North Dakota.

The Arizona storm has moved eastward and is central this morning in Texas, having given precipitation from Arizona to the upper Mississippi valley. Following the passage of the storm there has been a marked fall in temperature in Northern Arizona and Nevada.

The pressure is rising over the Pacific slope and generally fair weather with more or less cloudiness, is probable in Fresno and vicinity tonight and Saturday.

W. D. FULLER, Local Forecaster.

Air temperature	41
Highest temperature yesterday	45
Lowest temperature yesterday	31
Humidity (percentage of)	93
Wind S.E. (mi. per hr.)	2
Rainfall to date	6.49

Generally fair Saturday.

LOCAL BREVITIES

Hollands have what You want in Christmas Supplies today.

Ask for Danish Creamery butter.

Dr. Cory, dentist, over Hollands.

Willow wood $6 per cord delivered. Phone Main 49.

The cafeteria of the Young Women's Christian Association will be closed today in order to give the help a holiday.

Hog feed $10 ton. Caproco oil cake. Caproco Oil cake meal. California Products Co., south end O street and Butler avenue.

John Surkisian, proprietor of the Oak barber shop, wishes all his friends and patrons a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

All the district schools in the county have with one or two exceptions closed for the holidays to resume on Monday after New Year's.

The grand jury has adjourned until Monday, the 3rd of January and at the general session on that day will commence the work on its final report.

County Superintendent Lindsay has appointed J. R. Harrison to represent Granville district in the Sanger Union High school district, vice O. L. Scott, resigned.

The annual meeting of the State Teachers' Association will be held next week in San Francisco commencing on Monday. The holidays in county and city schools in Fresno will permit members from here to attend.

Mrs. Hamilton of No. 215 Sarah street telephoned to the police last night that her son Robert, sixteen years of age, had come home intoxicated and desired the police to ascertain who had either sold the liquor to the boy or given it to him. The police will make investigation today.

City Justice G. E. Graham was called upon to issue two warrants, charging J. E. Riley and J. M. Rustigian with battery. Henry Surkisian was the complaining witness against Riley, while E. M. Rustigian desires to have J. M. Rustigian arrested. Up to a late hour last night, neither had been arrested.

A. G. Wahlberg, the director of the choir of the First Presbyterian church, was presented with a fine parlor lamp last night after choir rehearsal by Charles Barrett in behalf of the members of the choir. Wahlberg made a short speech of acceptance, in which he thanked the choir for its kindness in remembering him.

MORTGAGED WHILE HE'S IN CHINA

Tom Him of Reedley Tells a Tale of Woe to County Recorder Barstow.

Tom Him, an intelligent Americanized Chinese born, who could read and pronounce all the big legal words in the mortgage as easily as rolling off a log, was in the county recorder's office with a tale of woe. Him is a resident of Reedley, and a year or more ago went to China on a visit, leaving his property in Reedley in charge of Sam Sing, who is connected with him in business in some way. On return a few days ago, Him discovered that his property, lot 4 in block 51 of Reedley, had been mortgaged on April 6, 1908, by Sing for $378.85 to I. J. Peck, real estate man of Reedley. Sing may really have intended to raise the money on a building that he was to erect on the lot and concerning which there was some talk at the time, but the mortgage as recorded is on the land and Him is in the position of having a lien on his land, when he gave no one a mortgage and received no consideration of loan.

XMAS CANTATA AT ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

Children Enact Scriptural Story of the Birth of Christ at Bethlehem.

The primary and junior departments of the Sunday school of St. Paul's M. E. church, South, gave a Christmas entertainment in the church parlors last evening. The exercises were in charge of Mrs. Dolph Lane. The conventional Christmas tree was dispensed with, and a cantata, with the usual candy and nuts afterward, was substituted.

The cantata was founded on the scriptural story of the birth of Jesus Christ. It included everything, even to the wise men and a big, modern electrical star which appeared to them. Singing and recitations formed a part of the entertainment, in which forty children took part.

The Sunday school room of the church, in which the exercises were held, was decorated in greens and tinsel suggestive of the merry Yuletide.

PENCIL FACTORY BURNED.

OCALA, Fla., Dec. 24.—Fire this morning at Crystal River near here completely destroyed the Dixon Cedar Pencil factory, entailing a loss of half a million dollars.

TRICKS OF SPIRITUALISM EXPOSED AT BARTON

Professor De La Geneste, who appears at the Barton tonight and tomorrow night.

The management of the Barton has, after considerable delay and expense, secured Prof. De la Geneste, America's foremost hypnotist, for the Christmas attraction tonight and also for tomorrow night. Prof. De la Geneste needs no introduction for those who read the daily papers will remember what a furor he created in Los Angeles a few months ago with his marvelous entertainments in hypnotism, magic and spiritualistic expose.

One of his most-talked-of tests in hypnotism is the placing of a young lady in a twenty-four hour death trance and exhibit her in one of the local store windows, where she sleeps in view of the public and never moving, save at the suggestion of the professor, who turns her at will by mental telepathy. During her enforced trance she will not receive a drink of water or nourishment of any kind.

This, and the rock-breaking test, when a hypnotized subject bears a 300-pound rock placed upon the body to be crushed with a sledge-hammer, mystify the scientists of the day. But the evening is not taken up by scientific work, far from it. Prof. De la Geneste will hypnotize well known Fresno people and while under the mysterious influence will cause them to do the most ridiculous things imaginable for the amusement of the spectators.

In magic, Prof. De la Geneste has never failed to amuse, mystify and entertain with original tests in modern magic. He is ably assisted by his young and beautiful wife in exposing some of the latest tricks of the spiritualistic mediums, a favorite expose being the much-talked-of cabinet tests recently seen in this city. Madame De la Geneste will cause all the spirit phenomena of the leading mediums on a well-lighted stage and with a voluntary committee to investigate all apparatus used.

Those who would enlighten themselves on these phenomena should not fail to see this expose. In the window of Hermann, the tailor, has been placed a bed in which the young lady will be seen at the close of the performance tonight, to remain until tomorrow night when she will be awakened on the stage of the Barton. The prices of admission will be 25, 35 and 50 cents and seats can be secured all day at the box office.

PERSONAL MENTION

H. H. Welsh left for San Francisco last night.

B. A. Wilson of Los Banos is at the Fulton.

W. C. Cook of Del Rey is staying at the Fulton.

H. R. Norrish went to Los Angeles yesterday.

R. M. Cushman of Laton is a guest at the Fulton.

Andrew Nelson of Dinuba is registered at the Fulton.

J. V. Godfrey of Salinas is registered at the Sequoia.

Mrs. W. A. Rinehart was a passenger to San Francisco last night.

P. M. Soglian went to Sacramento yesterday to spend the holidays.

Henry Avila and family are here from San Francisco for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Montrey of Le Grand are registered at the Fulton.

City Attorney Frank Swoke went to Oakland last night for the holidays.

James Post, a Coalinga oil driller, arrived yesterday to spend Christmas.

Dr. J. L. Maupin and wife were passengers to San Francisco last night.

C. N. Hands and R. D. Wood were passengers to Los Angeles last evening.

George W. Jones, the attorney, was a passenger to San Francisco yesterday.

Clarence J. Berry and wife of Los Angeles, are guests at the Grand Central.

George Kleeberger, formerly of Fresno, is here from Oakland to spend the holidays.

"Poncho" Herman went to San Francisco last night to enjoy the Yuletide festivities.

Fred Budge, who has been in Los Angeles, is here to spend the holidays with relatives.

Thomas Phillips, business manager of the Irish Prince theatrical company, is at the Sequoia.

T. R. La Seney and Attorney G. L. Aynsworth were passengers to San Francisco yesterday.

Charles Fleming, city ticket agent of the Espee, is in San Francisco for a week's vacation.

Milton Feder and Albert Elliott, both of Coalinga left last night for San Francisco to spend the holidays.

Mrs. Eugene Berg of Oakland will come to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Reinhard.

M. Gilman, who is connected with the "Oil Derrick" was in the city from Coalinga yesterday and last night.

Constable Walter McSwain, accompanied by wife, left for Merced yesterday to spend Christmas with relatives and friends.

F. J. Haney, traveling freight and passenger agent of the Santa Fe, went to San Francisco yesterday for a few days' vacation.

Deputy County Clerk Lewis Leach Fourtner Ryan has gone to San Francisco to spend Christmas with wife and the baby.

City Superintendent of Schools C. L. McLane will leave Monday for San Francisco to attend the teachers' state association meeting.

Mrs. E. T. Barker, the deputy county superintendent of schools, went to San Francisco last night to spend Christmas with her daughter.

Penn Cummings, who is a student at the University of Southern California, is in town to spend the holidays at home and to eat heartily once more.

Attorney Leith Ayresworth, Edward Hall and G. Vogelstrom formed a party of three who went to the sloughs near Stockton for a hunting trip last night.

E. W. Clapp, district freight and passenger agent of the Southern Pacific company, left for San Francisco with his family last night to spend Christmas.

C. E. Spear, traveling freight and passenger agent of the Southern Pacific, accompanied by family, went to San Francisco yesterday to spend the holidays.

R. W. Hobart, commercial agent of the Santa Fe, returned yesterday from San Francisco. The quarantine at his residence in this city has been raised and Mr. Hobart will have the pleasure of spending Christmas with his family.

Jay Cronkhite, helper of James Cronkhite and Charles Cronkhite of this city, left for Modesto yesterday for a month's visit with relatives. From there he will go to Los Angeles to make his permanent home with Mrs. J. R. Van Zandt, his daughter.

C. Harland Smith and wife arrived yesterday to spend the holidays with Mrs. Smith's mother, Mrs. Storer. Mr. Smith is a teacher in the high school at Winters. He formerly taught at Fresno high school.

Deputy District Attorney Henry Hawson and Attorney N. C. Coldwell returned last evening from Madera where they were interested for four days in the trial of the case of Rand vs. Murphy.

Mr. and Mrs. John S. Bates of Monmouth, Illinois, are visitors in Fresno and will make a sojourn of about one month. Mr. Bates is city engineer of the town named, a son of H. H. Bates with Graff & Co. and a brother of Deputy County Recorder Bates. Mr. and Mrs. Bates were visitors in Fresno 7 years ago. H. H. Bates and Treasurer Hickman were among the first of the Monmouth people to come to Fresno to locate 5 years ago.

UNCLE TOM'S CABIN AT EMPIRE THEATER

The Donkey, "Topsy," and "Marks the Lawyer" Will Be There.

This is the season of the year when men pause in the eager struggle for wealth and power, and turn attention to the sentimental things of life. For a brief period there is a consciousness of man's inhumanity to man, and those things appeal which reach the heart instead of the pocket.

In deference to this spirit, Manager Hoen has in preparation for the holiday week a fine production of the classic drama, "Uncle Tom's Cabin." The play is old, but so is Christmas, and like Christmas it is always welcome. The story of Uncle Tom's life is a tragedy that vibrates a chord in unison with the cry from the cross, and it will charm as long as sympathy and love and charity dwell in human hearts. No matter how poorly it may be presented or what offenses may be committed in its name, "Uncle Tom's Cabin" always has an audience.

Director Hallett and Manager Hoen propose, however, to give a production worthy of the theme. Artist Lapworth has been instructed to spare neither time nor expense in preparing the scenery—such an important item in the presentation of this drama—and six beautiful new drop curtains are being painted. The company has been cast to its greatest strength and a quartette and auxiliary people have been added. Not a detail will be overlooked. Even the donkey and dogs will be there, with Topsy and Marks.

This week's bill, "College Chums," has proved the most popular offering yet given by the company, and no one should miss the opportunity still open to see it. The usual matinee will be given today and tomorrow. Matinee prices will remain the same for Christmas day. Reserved seats, 20 cents; general admission, 10 cents.

T. E. Collins of the Ogle House and his cousin Jere O'Callaghan, will go to San Francisco tonight to attend the funeral of Jeremiah O'Callaghan, who died on Thursday at St. John's hospital in San Francisco.

DIED

LAURENZ—Near Conejo, December 24, 1909, Mariano Laurenz, a native of Spain aged 45 years.

DIED

PERRYMAN—In Fresno, at 245 Ivy avenue, December 24, 1909, Archie J. Perryman, a native of Illinois, aged 41 years.

Funeral announcement later.

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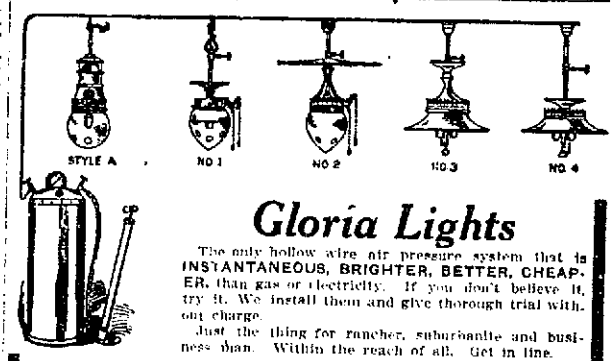

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Social and Club News

Christmas Day will be happily celebrated in Fresno homes. A happy gathering of families and friends in the close companionship of the holiday hearthside will make the day memorable in many homes. "Peace on earth good will toward men" is the motto written in the hearts of the grown-ups, and the children are jubilant in the possession of some long-coveted toy. Dear old Santa Claus has sprinkled his bounty broadcast, and the poor as well as the rich will join in the glad Christmas carols of happiness. Thanks to the big heartedness of Fresno's citizens, few have been forgotten in the distribution of gifts and good cheer and there will not be a corner that has not been penetrated by the rays of the yuletide spirit. Society is devoting itself almost exclusively to home affairs today. Strangers are being welcomed at many a hospitable fireside and invited to partake of the feast of cheer that marks the day's joy. A sunny day is promised and Santa Claus needs only to seek us out to thaw out his frost-bitten fingers and toes in the warmth of blessed sunshine.

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At the W. D. Coates home there will be a pleasant family reunion today. Frank Coates, the eldest son, has come home from a business trip through the East to join the family and W. D Coates, Jr., the state architect, has arrived from Sacramento for Christmas. He has brought with him as a holiday guest, L. B. Lutten of Sacramento. On Monday evening Mrs. W. D. Coates will entertain a few young people at "500" complimentary to her son and his Sacramento guest. As the Coates home has gained a reputation for hospitality, this is sure to be one of the jolliest holiday affairs among the young people.

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Mrs. B. F. Shepherd has as her guest for the holidays, her mother, Mrs. Bowler of Huntington Park.

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Miss Helen Sprague and her brother, Jack Sprague, have gone to Sacramento to spend Christmas with parents. Mr. Sprague will return on Monday, but Miss Sprague will remain until the end of the week.

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Mrs. Leo Archer of San Jose is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Wyatt.

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Mrs. George Helm returned this week from Sacramento, where she has spent the past three weeks with her sister, Mrs. Edward Stone. The latter has undergone an operation for appendicitis, but is regaining health and was able to leave the hospital before the sister left her.

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Much interest is being manifested by society in the New Year's eve assembly to be a bal masque held at the Parlor Lecture Club. The patronesses expect to make this the event of the series and everyone is occupied in the preparation of costumes. A costumer has been engaged to come from San Francisco for the event and will arrive three days before the party.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Fitzgerald and Miss May Fitzgerald left yesterday for Stockton to spend Christmas week with relatives.

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Miss Lois Mattingly is at home from the Dominican College at San Rafael spending the holidays at home.

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Mr. and Mrs. Emory Wishon arrived yesterday from Coalinga to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Wishon.

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Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Mattei and family of Fowler are spending Christmas with Mrs. Mattei's sister, Mrs. E. H. Grant, at Dinuba.

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Miss A. E. South and Miss S. J. Fentem left yesterday for Woodland to spend Christmas with friends and relatives. They will also visit in Valley Springs and in Berkeley before returning.

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Mr. and Mrs John Reimers of Dinuba are spending Christmas with friends in Fresno.

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Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Gunter have gone to Oakland to spend the holidays with friends.

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Dr. and Mrs. W. T. Maupin are spending Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. Harry Maxfield in Oakland. Mrs. William O. Miles and son are also guests in the Maxwell home, Mr. Miles joining his family there for the Christmas week end.

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Mrs. T. O. Andrews and her daughter, Miss Elizabeth Andrews, who have been visiting the former's son, George R. Andrews, left last night for Corona, where a family reunion of the Andrews family will be celebrated. Mr. Andrews accompanied his mother and sister South for the event.

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There was a happy Christmas celebration last night at Knox Mission, on the corner of M and Ventura streets. The pupils of Miss Houston's class gave an entertainment, to which they invited their friends. There was an interesting program of songs and recitations and in conclusion there was a fine big Christmas tree with gifts and candies for everyone. A play entitled "A Christmas Adventure" was a feature of the program. Following is the program of musical and literary numbers: Recitation, Nelle Fry; recitation, Fuschia Ashbrook; duet, Hazel Sunderland and Vera Wolford; recitation, Clara Howard; recitation, Nellie Sunderland; recitation, Minnie Lindsay; recitation, Jennie Long; recitation, Lillian Warner; recitation, Opal Fry; recitation, Elbert Mitchell.

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Mrs. Herman Koplan and Miss Beatrice Koplan are spending the holidays with friends in Madera.

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Miss Madeline Bassett of Clovis is the holiday guest of Miss Elma Spears.

Xmas Eating and Drinking

The insides of the whole family from Dad to Baby got lots of hard work to do this week. CASCARETS will help them. See that every member of the family gets a CASCARET every night. This will do the work easily and naturally and save a lot of sickness and suffering later on.

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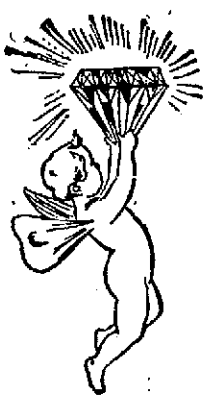

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RAISIN CITY HAS SOME AGED PEOPLE

They Can Make San Jose's Look Like a Pupil in a Kindergarten.

Editor Republican:—I notice in yesterday's paper a dispatch from San Jose as follows:

"Genial Tommy Dunbar, who came to California in 1844 and who will be 94 years old this coming Christmas, went to the almshouse today. He is still bright and active, etc. He claims to be the oldest living California pioneer."

Shucks, that's nothing to brag about. Why, right in your little hamlet there is an old gentleman, genial John R. Pennington, who will be 98 years old next April, bright, and so active that he earns his own living by hauling blocks from Clovis and he has no idea of going to the almshouse. He is also a pioneer of California and a few years ago was my nearest neighbor on Harvey avenue.

There is another genial old boy, nearly 94 years old, T. H. H. Gibbs, bright, and so active that he can carry a 125 pound trunk up two flights of stairs and has no idea of going to the almshouse.

Why, the 90-odd year old boys in Fresno are so numerous that one bumps into them at every corner. If San Jose wants to keep anywhere near the Queen City of the San Joaquin, she'll have to rustle up some older men than genial Tommy.

San Jose may have the most select gang of boy bank looters in California, and she also may be full of prunes, but when it comes to ancient men and modern raisins, she hasn't a look-in along with the Raisin City.

Ninety-four years! Huh! City Editor Fitzgerald himself will be that old if he lives till 1930. The Garden City fellows want to grab everything in sight, even to old men; but when it comes to ancient people, Fresno can make the old men of San Jose look like pupils in a kindergarten.

E. J. LEWIS.

Hollister, Cal., Dec. 22, 1909.

LARGE DECREASE IN INMATES OF JAIL

If the records at the jail can be relied upon, the city and county of Fresno is nearly fifty per cent better behaving this year than last. There are only about sixty inmates of the jail, as against 100 last year. This is a remarkable decrease in the number of jail birds and has never been equalled in the history of the city and county. Sheriff Chittenden said last night that he could assign no reason for the decrease in the number of his boarders, unless it is that people in Fresno were "just getting naturally better."

A Little Story of After Christmas

A GREAT MANY PEOPLE CAME TO MY STORE AND BOUGHT A GREAT MANY BEAUTIFUL AND USEFUL THINGS DURING THE PAST FEW DAYS. THEY WERE FORTUNATE AND WISE.

PROBABLY SOME WHO WERE UNFORTUNATELY PREVENTED, OR POSSIBLY UNWISE, HAVE NOT YET VISITED MY STORE; OR, HAVING DONE SO, HAVE OVERLOOKED SOME ONE THEY WISH TO REMEMBER WITH A GIFT.

FOLLOWING THE CUSTOM OF MANY YEARS, MY STORE WILL BE OPEN FOR THE BENEFIT OF THESE, FROM 9 A. M. TO 12, NOON. MANY OF THE THINGS BEAUTIFUL AND USEFUL HAVE DEPARTED ELSEWHERE, BUT ENOUGH REMAIN FROM WHICH TO MAKE A SATISFACTORY CHOICE.

WITH THANKS FOR THEIR GENEROUS PATRONAGE, I WISH MY CUSTOMERS A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

C. T. Cearley.

1111-1117 J St.

CLOVIS LIBRARY LADIES WILL RECEIVE CALLS ON NEW YEAR

Indians at Auberry Valley Are Awaiting Xmas Gifts.

Agricultural Car Will Make a Visit on 20th of Next Month.

CLOVIS, Dec. 24.—The ladies of the Library Association will be at home at the reading room Saturday, January 1, from 10 a. m. to 10 p. m. to receive New Year's calls. The public is invited to call and bring New Year's presents. E. J. Moore chairman of the membership committee, will be there to receive membership fees. Good books and donations in envelopes will be acceptable gift. Ladies in attractive costumes will dispense smiles and refreshments and a delightful day is being planned.

M. M Whiting will go to the hills to take Christmas gifts to the Indians. He and his daughters will furnish orchestral music for the Indians Christmas at Auberry. Many gifts have been contributed to make the dusky neighbors comfortable and happy.

The Farmers' Institute at DeWitt hall Wednesday was attended by a fair audience that were interested in the talks given by W. R. McIntosh and Mrs. Sherman. The educational exhibit car will probably arrive about January 20th, and this community is expected to take advantage of the opportunity given for observation and instruction.

The Women of Woodcraft at their meeting Tuesday evening elected the following officers: G. N., Mrs. Gibson; Adv., Lulu Rutledge; Mag., Mrs. Giffin; Att., Lutie Turner; clerk, Nellie Clark; banker, Eva Rutledge; Mgr., G. J. Tyler; captain of guards, Mrs. Harwell; I. S., Mrs. Hutchinson; O. S., J. M. Harwell.

The ladies of the G. A. R. elected the following officers: President, Ruth Cate; S. V. P., Gertrude Sellers; J. V. P., Lydia Harris; treasurer, Fannie G. Hoblitt; chaplain, Millie Kellar. The other officers will be elected at the next meeting, January 12th. An invitation was extended to be at the Custer Circle meeting at Risley hall, January 8th next.

John E. Snyder arrived at the Hoblitt on Monday after spending several months on his wheat ranch in South Dakota. On his way back he visited relatives in Michigan, Wisconsin and Indiana, and took a short trip into Mexico. Mr. Snyder owns property in town and country here and has returned to improve his acreage.

A. Stoton of London, Eng., arrived at the Hoblitt Thursday direct from the old country. He will spend some time at the Shepherd-Teague ranch home, and will probably invest in land here. He was accompanied by a friend who is also looking for a place to locate.

Peter Meagher of Alspaugh has been looking over Clovis acreage this week with a view to investing.

F. S. McMurtry of Coalinga made a business visit to Clovis Thursday.

The corner of Fifth street and Pollasky avenue has been improved in appearance. The store room is enlarged re-papered and fitted up for William Atwood's drug store. Dr. Ingram will have offices in the rear, which are being remodeled and fitted up.

Arthur Ruby will spend the holidays week with parents in Santa Cruz.

Luther Rahney of Palo Alto arrived this week at the home of J. G. Ferguson, where Mrs. Rahney and the children have been spending some weeks with her parents. An elaborate Christmas menu will be served at the family dinner.

E. W. Treasure will spend Christmas at the home of R. C. Avery in Fresno.

Mrs. Nannie Apply, nee Ewald, of Fresno, with Mrs. Brey, called on old friends in Clovis Thursday.

Harry Rutledge, who is attending college at Berkeley, will eat his Christmas dinner at home in Clovis.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rutledge will serve an elaborate family Christmas dinner on Saturday to the family and a few invited guests.

The Cheuvront tragedy in Fresno casts a shadow over one of Clovis' esteemed families. The murdered lady was a sister of Mrs. Howard, living north of town, and a large family of nephews mourns her loss.

The W. O. W. will give a banquet at the lodge room on Tuesday evening next.

MINISTERS VISITED MALAGA BAPTISTS

The Cartwrights Will Entertain at a Family Dinner of Fifty People.

MALAGA, Dec. 24.—Malaga Baptists have been recently entertaining visiting ministers. On the 19th the Rev. Mr. Cochrane, a returned missionary from Burma, gave an address. On the following Wednesday, Rev. A. M. Petty of Los Angeles called on the pastor, and, finding it was the night of the mid-week prayer meeting, consented to speak on the subject to which his whole energy goes, "America Made Christian." Last Sunday Rev. J. Fred Jenkins filled the pulpit in the morning and in the evening Rev. Mr. Travis of Oakland spoke on the need of Christian education. At the business meeting on Wednesday evening, a call was extended to Rev. J. Fred Jenkins to become the pastor of the church. Rev. C. S. Winans will close a pastorate of a little more than three years with this church on Sunday.

Mrs. Cook of Orosi came yesterday to remain over Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Cartwright, who will entertain at a family dinner tomorrow, at which about fifty guests are expected.

William B. Hildreth was a passenger to San Francisco today, wife and children going to Visalia to spend Christmas.

Thomas La Rue and wife went to Oakland today to visit Mrs. La Rue's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Porter.

Mrs. Boorossier, who has been quite sick for several days, is convalescing.

Mr. Stone of Syracuse, N. Y., was the guest of J. F. Niswander today.

UNITARIAN PULPIT.

The Revelation of Christmas.

If there is one truth that Christmas reveals, it is that of the inherent goodness of mankind. Once a year the kindlier nature of men becomes revealed under the spell and impulse of the Christmas spirit. The real man, who has been masquerading for eleven months under the guise of the mercenary and selfish, flings off his mask and appears as the man of heart he really is. In the cold hand of business we detect the pulsebeat, and know that still there is the life of love. This is the revelation of Christmas.

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SELMA WEDDING ON CHRISTMAS EVE

Exodus Is on in Earnest to Eat the Holiday Turkey at Home.

SELMA, Dec. 24.—One of the prettiest home weddings of the season was that of Miss Irma Poulson and Edward O. Hamstrom, solemnized yesterday afternoon at the home of the bride's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Poulson.

A color scheme of green and white was used in the decorations with garlands of smilax and white ribbons. A large bow window had been transformed into a bower of greenery, which formed a lovely setting for the bridal picture.

The bride wore a gown of silk crepe de chine, her filmy veil caught in her hair and falling to the hem of her dress. She carried a shower of white carnations and ferns. Miss Ruth Reed, the bridesmaid, was gowned in pale green and also carried carnations. The groom was attended by S. T. Poulson, a brother of the bride.

Preceding the ceremony Mrs. A. R. Steinwand sang "O Love Divine," following which the bridal party entered to the music of the wedding march played by Miss Gertrude Poulson.

The ring ceremony was pronounced by Rev. Oscar Lindgren, an uncle of the groom. An elaborate wedding supper was served and the guests were shown the wedding presents, many of which were elegant.

The bride spent one year here with her parents three years ago. The groom has held a position with the First National Bank here for several years. After a short wedding trip, Mr. and Mrs. Hamstrom will return to Selma, where a cosy bungalow awaits their occupancy.

The exodus for Christmas vacations has commenced in earnest and many expect to eat Christmas turkey at other points. Among those leaving may be mentioned: Mrs. R. H. Bramblett, who went to Los Angeles this morning to be with her daughter; Miss Eva Moehr, who will spend one week with her family in Pasadena; Miss Hazel Hogue and Miss Bessie Preston, who will spend the school vacation with their families in Fresno. Of the High school faculty, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Fishback left today for Los Angeles and southern points, while Miss Mabel Clark will spend the holidays at Niles.

I. H. Stansbury will spend his yuletide with his son in Stockton. Floyd Brown and Charles Taylor, who are attending Stanford University, are here for the holidays. Miss Leona Taylor, who has been in Los Angeles attending osteopathy, came home today to spend her vacation here. Miss Pearl Berry, who is attending a seminary in Los Angeles, is in Selma to spend the holidays with friends.

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Cocoa Fact No. 28

Physicians and food specialists often disagree about the value of coffee and tea. But they are unanimous in recommending cocoa as a most nutritious beverage. The large percentage of gluten in cocoa makes it rank with bread as a "staff of life."

The REPUBLICAN LEADS IN CIRCULATION..... And in Giving the News

WORMSER IS NOMINATED FOR POSITION OF PRESIDENT

Will Be Hobbs' Rival on Chamber of Commerce Ticket.

W. A. Mattingly's Name Is Posted as Candidate for Committeeman.

There will evidently be a contest for the position of president of the Chamber of Commerce. Secretary William Robertson received yesterday a communication from Sig Wormser, withdrawing his name as candidate for a place on the executive committee of the body, and a communication, signed by business men and firms, placing Mr. Wormser in nomination for the place of president, and W. T. Mattingly for the place in the executive committee ticket made vacant by the withdrawal of Mr. Wormser. The withdrawals and new nominations were posted yesterday afternoon.

These are the first nominations outside the regular ticket named recently by the committee on nominations. This ticket was as follows: For president, A. L. Hobbs; vice-president, John W. Short; treasurer, J. E. Dickenson; executive committee, W. F. Chandler, Sig Wormser, George L. Warlow and J. C. Ferger.

The communications received by Secretary William Robertson yesterday read as follows:

"Fresno, Dec. 22, 1909.

"Secretary Chamber of Commerce,
"Fresno, Cal.

"Dear Sir—Please withdraw my name as candidate for the executive committee of your body.

"Yours truly,
"SIG WORMSER."

"Fresno, Dec. 22, 1909.

"Mr. William Robertson, Sec'y Fresno Co. Chamber of Commerce, Fresno, Cal.

"Dear Sir—We desire to place in nomination for president of the Chamber of Commerce Mr. Sig Wormser, and for member of the executive committee, Mr. W. T. Mattingly. Please post these names in accordance with the by-laws of the chamber, and have them printed on the official ballot.

"Yours very truly,
"A. V. LISENBY.
"BARRETT-HICKS CO.
"HABER BROS.
"S. S. HOCKETT.
"LOUIS EINSTEIN.
"W. W. EDEN."

According to the rules of the chamber, this is all that is necessary to secure the changing of the ballot to conform with the above.

Mr. Hobbs, named on the ballot by the nominating committee for the post of president, is the incumbent, and has served in the place through the year.

28 WEDDINGS FOR CHRISTMAS WEEK

Seven of These Marriage Licenses Were Granted Yesterday By the Clerk.

The Christmas week record for marriage licenses granted is twenty-eight, with seven given out yesterday to the following named couples:

Jacob Baker, aged 21, and Annie Herman, aged 18, natives of Russia and residents of Fresno.

Festus A. Steen, aged 24, resident of Coalinga, and Helen Harlan, aged 18, resident of Fowler, natives of Texas.

Fred A. Burke, native of Michigan, aged 25, and Jeannetta J. Grals, native of Nevada, aged 25, residents of Fresno.

Chet A. Glass, aged 21, and Eva I. Cooper, aged 19, natives of California and residents of Fresno.

Alexander H. Alchian, native of Armenia, aged 24, and Lily Normart, native of California, aged 20, residents of Fresno.

George B. Lundgren, aged 22, and Elsie Springton, aged 18, natives of California, residents of Fresno.

B. G. Gill, native of Missouri, aged 25, resident of Los Banos in Merced, and Mayne Moore, native of California, aged 24, resident of Tulare, in Tulare.

M'KENZIE FUNERAL LARGELY ATTENDED

Fiske Building, in Which He Was Largely Interested, Is Draped for Thirty Days.

The funeral of the late William H. McKenzie was held yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the residence at the corner of K and Calaveras streets. Many citizens of Fresno who had known him for years attended to pay their last respects.

Rev. Harvey Hanson of St. James Episcopal church officiated, and the Misses Katherine and Cinna Balthis sang "Lead, Kindly Light" and "Nearer, My God to Thee." There were many floral pieces and bouquets, which testified to the high esteem in which the deceased was held by the community.

At the grave at Mountain View cemetery the Odd Fellows held the ritualistic services of the order.

The Fiske building, at the corner of J and Mariposa streets, in which the deceased was largely interested, is draped in black for thirty days.

The pall-bearers were W. W. Eden, F. H. Short, D. D. Allison, F. M. Miller, S. N. Griffith and H. O. Buker.

METHODISTS WILL HOLD A REVIVAL

A series of revival meetings will be held next month at the First M. E. church, corner of M and Tuolumne streets. The meetings will be conducted by Rev. Charles S. Allen of Denver, Colo., the official conference evangelist of the Colorado conference of the Methodist church. They will begin about January 23rd and will last over four or five Sundays. Rev. Allen will come highly recommended by bishops of the church which he represents.

My Boss has gone to the city.

This is not a paradox on my wife has gone to the country. Before leaving me he said: Now, Willie, be good and wish everybody a Merry Christmas for me.

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HABEAS CORPUS WRIT IS INTENDED FOR THE INNOCENT

Mrs. Josephine Remy Declared in Contempt of Court.

Eldest Son Asks for Letters in Estate of Murdered Mrs. Cheuvront.

George Klumm, the fellow who in his tantrums does not hesitate, according to old world custom, to beat his wife with a chain, was before Judge Austin on habeas corpus seeking release from imprisonment. It was the wife who had sued out the writ in his behalf.

Judge Austin was in anything but the mood, even on the eve of Christmas day, to be moved by any sentimental considerations, so after listening to the argument of Attorney Traber he denied the writ, and the wife-beater was remanded to jail to finish out his sentence.

Klumm had pleaded guilty in November, 1908, to the charge of wife-beating with a chain and was sentenced to pay a fine of $50 with 180 days' imprisonment—a total of 230 if he did not pay the fine, which as a matter of fact he did not. Justice Graham suspended sentence in response to sympathetic and tearful pleas of the young wife, and Klumm was set at liberty. Instead of doing anything for the woman, he liked off to Arizona, practically abandoned her and when he returned a few days ago and again began abuse of her he was thrown into jail under the withheld commitment of a year ago.

So much for the facts of the case. Attorney Traber made a technical plea for the prisoner, arguing ingeniously that the prisoner had served his time, and is not longer within the jurisdiction of the court—in short had served his term under the sentence out of jail under the withheld execution of judgment and that his time is up, for the maximum punishment for the offense is only six months, or 180 days.

It so happens to be that Judge Austin is the very man, who as justice of the peace in Fresno ten or twelve years ago originated the plan of suspending judgment and practically releasing the convicted misdemeanor offender on what was practically a parole during good behavior. And yet he would not exactly place himself in accord with Attorney Traber's contentions yesterday.

Traber unfortunately tried the sentimental plea, asking the court not to send Klumm back to jail and leave the wife in want through the winter to continue a charge upon the county.

This plea grated on District Attorney Church, who replied that as he understood the case Klumm beat up his wife with a chain having a hook attached to its end. When the officers who were summoned at the time of the trouble arrived on the scene they found the bed that had been occupied by the woman covered with blood, and the district attorney gave it as his opinion that as long as Klumm is in jail the chain at his house will not be used so frequently.

Judge Austin said something in effect that the purpose of the writ of habeas corpus was to protect the innocent, and as Klumm had entered a plea of guilty when charged he would be forced to serve his time.

DECLARED IN CONTEMPT.

Mrs. Josephine Remy, who is a woman of some property, was adjudged guilty of contempt of court yesterday, and pronouncing of judgment was deferred until the third of next month, depending upon the disposition that she manifests in the meanwhile.

Mrs. Remy is being sued by S. C. Shore for a gas-making plant that was attached to the realty of the Calwa Park, three miles south of town. It appearing that a misunderstanding has arisen between her and the lessee whether the plant was included in the lease. She says it was not, and as a matter of fact no mention of the gas-making plant is made in the lease document, while the contention of the other side is that it is part of the realty and therefore can not be removed.

At any rate after Shore had sued her, the court issued an order forbidding her to remove the apparatus, but woman-like she did not know the nature of an injunction order and removed the plant. Under the circumstances, Attorney W. D. Crichton could do naught but acknowledge the disobedience of the order of the court, pleading that it was not with any intention of contempt for the court.

All this was very well, but it was no legal excuse for the disobedience of the order, and as Judge Austin stated the degree of punishment will depend largely upon what restitution Mrs. Remy may make within the next five days. If the machinery is replaced leniency may be exercised, and if she does not the fact will be considered in the infliction of punishment.

RELEASED ON PAROLE.

John E. Wethington, who was jointly informed against with W. D. Thompson, pleaded guilty to burglary yesterday afternoon and was sentenced by Judge Church to imprisonment in the penitentiary for two years. The judgment was suspended and the prisoner released on parole to report himself monthly to Probation Officer Wal—charged with the burglary on the 10th of last October of M. L. & T. car No. 12117 on the Southern Pacific, stealing goods shipped to Kutner, Goldstein & Co. at Hanford, Cal. The same parole disposition was made of Thompson, because he is a young man with wife and two babies in Oakland. Wethington seemed contrite in court declared he is a native of Springfield, Ky., aged 24, and has been from home since he was 17 years of age. He declared he was one of a family of ten children living and two dead.

CHEUVRONT ESTATE.

Hugh M. McClung as the eldest son of Mrs. Blanche S. Cheuvront, who was killed by husband on Wednesday, asks for letters in the estate. The latter consists of real and personal property, the realty twenty-five acres of the probable value of $9,500, with $800 annual rental and a portion under contract of sale to Fred S. Kniper, also $2,000 life insurance policy, personal property of the further value of $1,000, besides $1,313.31 cash in Union National Bank, real property subject to mortgages for $3,500 and $1,000 held on the contract—total aggregate value not exceeding $9,313.31.

The heirs are: Hugh McClung, aged 26; C. C. McClung, aged 21, sons by a former marriage; George S. Cheuvront, aged 15; Blanche G. Cheuvront aged 10, son and daughter of deceased; and George C. Cheuvront, who died before the death of decedent.

The petition will be heard on the 3rd prox., and was filed yesterday on the day of the funeral of the victims of the triple tragedy by J. O. Traber, as attorney for the petitioner. Cheuvront was brought to the morgue dead before the death of the wife and it is on this theory that the letters are sought in her estate as the survivor.

Answer has been made in the suit of Hazel M. Seropian against Sheriff Chittenden and the Seropian brothers for damages for levying an execution on property claimed by her, denying that, excepting lots 24, 25 and the southwest half of 26 in city block 58, she has any interest in the property in question and in the lots mentioned only a community as the wife of J. M. Seropian, furthermore that the property belongs to John M. and George M. Seropian and is subject to execution for debts of the firm.

PROBATE SALES.

Sheriff Chittenden made report yesterday of the sale to him while yet public administrator to William Imus of lot 24 of Clovis block 3 for $75 in the estate of W. Andrews, and J. F. Mitchell in the estate of Lillian D. Mitchell to George J. Ray of the sale of thirty-five acres in 15-14-27 for $800.

CHILDREN ARE HEIRS.

Public administrator Andrews asks for letters in the estate of Rosie Diferio, also known as Dilleva and Francke. Property consists of lots 25-26 in block 1, a half interest valued at $500. Heirs are four children aged 15, 12, 8 and 6. There is no nearer other relative in this state qualified or competent to administer.

COURT NOTES.

Publication of summons has been ordered in the divorce case of Dora Goodner against Andrew Goodner, he being said to be in El Paso, Tex.

Lulu P. George has entered suit for divorce from R. F. George, who is an attorney at law. She charges acts of cruelty causing mental suffering.

Vertan J. Moomjian has sued G. H. Moomjian to quiet title to the east half of the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter of 9-16-21.

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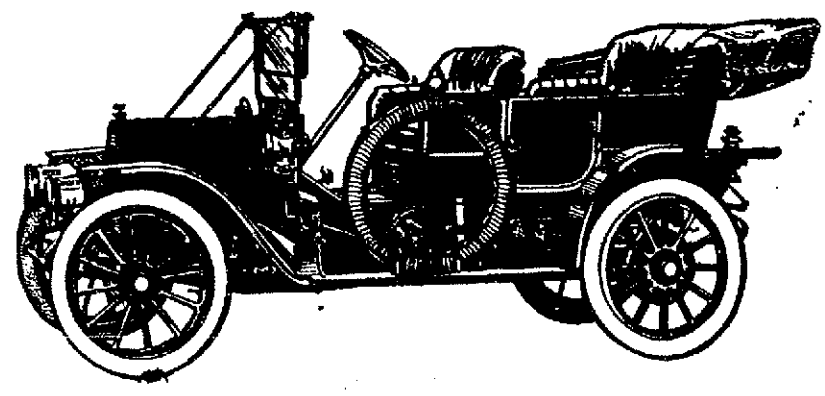

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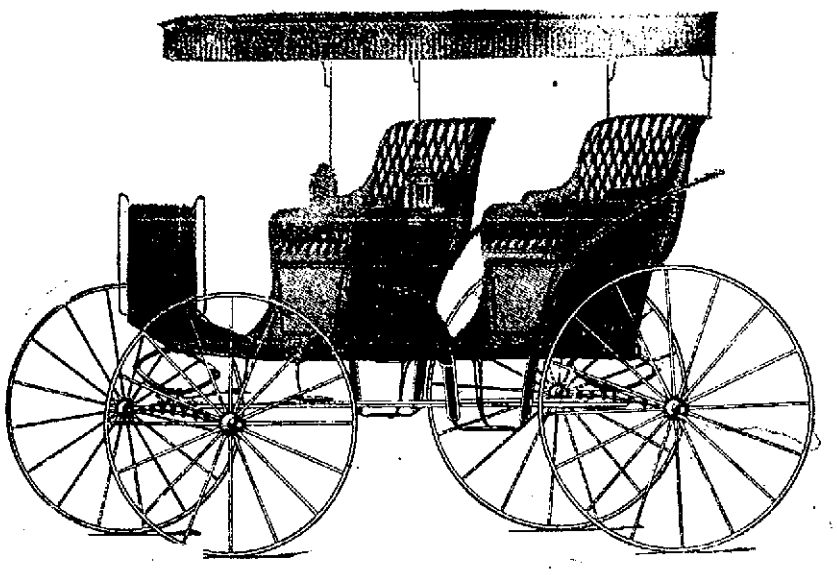

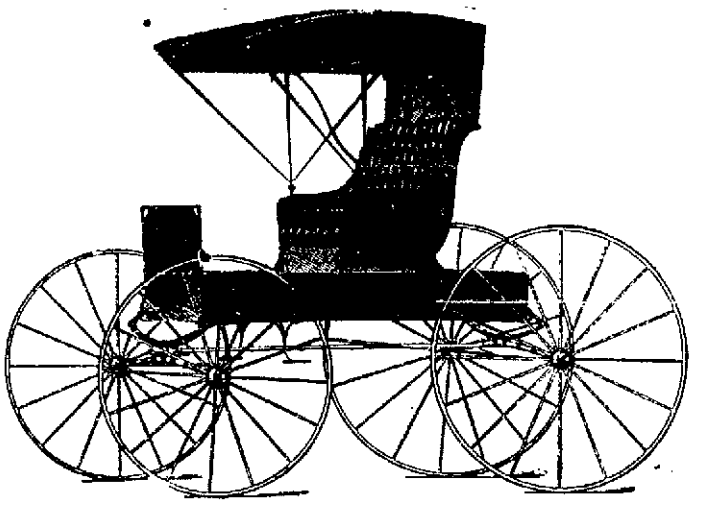

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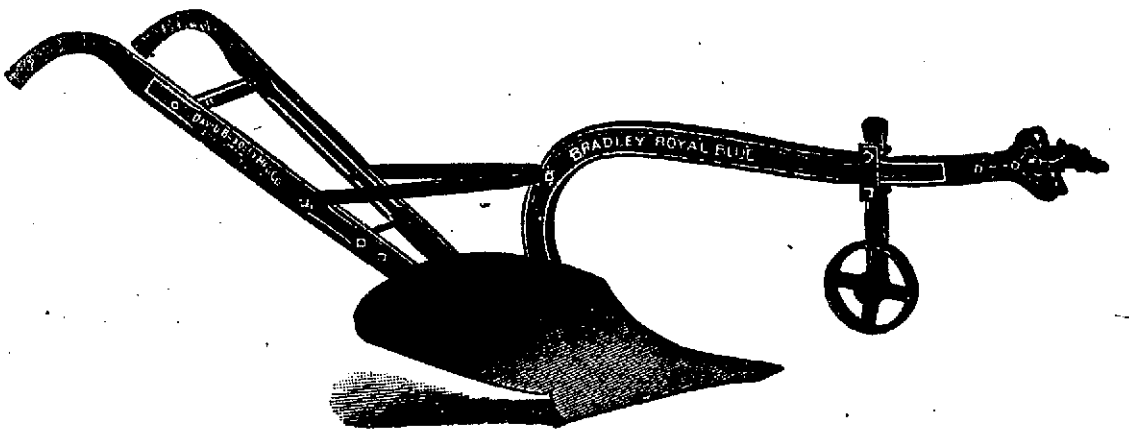

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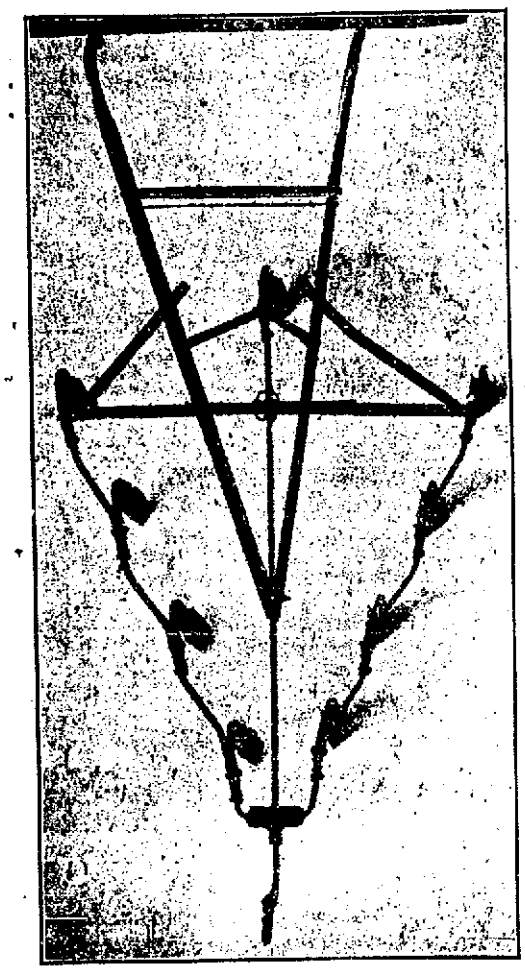

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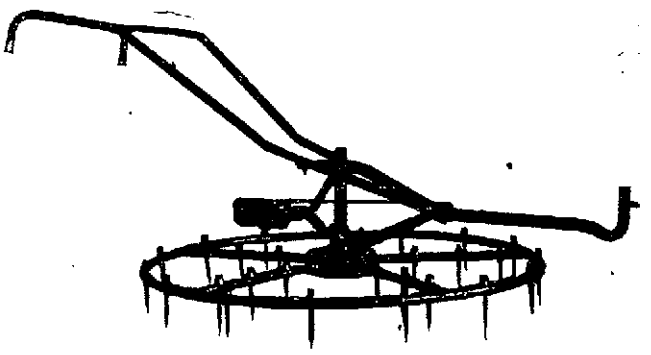

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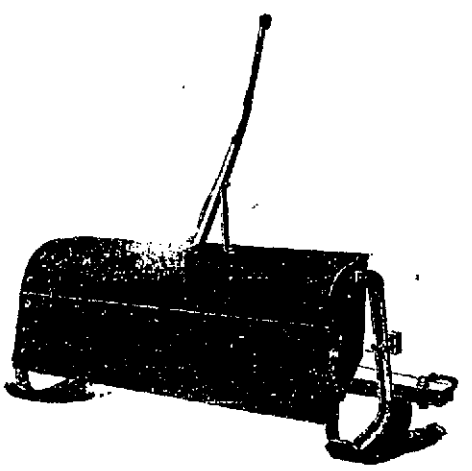

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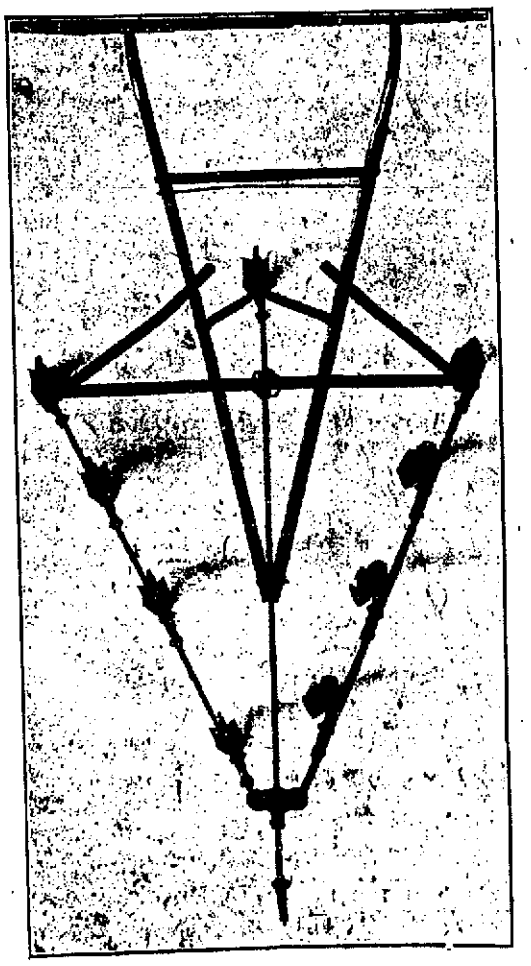

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NEWS OF EVENTS IN REALM OF SPORT

66 ROUNDS OF BOXING AT COALINGA THIS AFTERNOON; FINISH FIGHT IS MAIN GO

COALINGA, Dec. 24.—Young Coffey, who fights Vic Hanson forty-five rounds in the arena of the Coalinga Athletic Club Christmas afternoon, has arrived from the North and in his workout yesterday afternoon made a fine impression on the large crowd of local fight fans who were present to watch him go through his paces.

The visiting fighter certainly made a fine showing and won many friends from the takeoff. He showed himself to be a good, hard, strong fighter, with a splendid knowledge of the game and excellent punching ability. His punches are delivered hard and accurately.

Local fight followers who have seen the lad fight declare that he is one of the boys capable of giving Hanson a fight. They declare that if Hanson wins from Coffey he will be entitled to the victory, and it will be far from a hollow one at that.

Both lads are firmly intrenched in their training quarters, and even though the fight is but a short time away, they do not need much training. Hanson has done practically all of his hard work, having trained for two weeks at Dudley before coming up to Coalinga. Coffey has been fighting in the North. He is a lad who keeps in condition, and to hear him tell it, he is practically ready to enter the ring.

Matchmaker Burns has arranged sixty-six rounds of fighting for the day, and the fans are assured a royal fight fest. The main event is to go forty-five rounds. Blackie Mitchell and Frankie Corbett are down for a special event of fifteen rounds, and promise to put up a rattling good exhibition.

The curtain-raiser will be a six round battle between Young Dempsey and Billy King.

"I'D RATHER BE KILLED THAN LOSE IN THIS FIGHT," SAYS JIM JEFFRIES TO BOB EDGREN

Bob Edgren, the New York World's great fistic expert, has taken up the cudgels for Big Jim Jeffries. So much has been said against the big alfalfa miner that it is refreshing to hear some one say a neat word in candid admiration of the big fellow. Here is what Edgren has to say about Jeff:

"This is big Jim Jeffries' reply to the professional knockers who have been tap-tap-tapping at him ever since the private discussion and signing of articles in Hoboken. I met Jeffries and talked the whole matter over with him before he left New York state yesterday for the South and West, for I wanted to have Jeffries' own statement from his own mouth. I have known the champion ever since he began his career, and there is no man living for whose word I have greater respect. Jeffries will not lie.

"'Jim,' I said, 'why did you sign articles in private? I want to know the inside facts.'

"One of Jeff's chief characteristics is his earnestness. He looks you squarely in the eye when he talks to you. His look never wavers. Jeff stopped right in the middle of a stride. For a moment he looked straight at me and then he spoke with the sudden vehemence of a man who has been bottling up his anger for a week.

SORE AT KNOCKERS.

"'Why do they knock me?' exclaimed Jeffries. 'If I'd ever done a dishonest thing in my life I wouldn't have a word to say, but what right have they to knock me when they know I've been absolutely on the level in every fight I ever had in my life?

"'What's all this pigiure money talk? What do I care for pictures or picture money when the one thing I think of day and night is knocking Johnson out as soon as I can get him into the ring? What do I care for picture money beside the satisfaction of finishing him in a round or even two or three rounds?

"'Money never would touch me, and it never will. I wouldn't agree to stall with Johnson a single round if they offered me a million dollars for it. You can bet every cent your have in the world that I'll try to get him in the first minute. You can do more than that. You can bet your life on it. I'll make him think he's been struck by lightning.

"'It's the first time in my life I ever felt like this. I'd rather be killed than lose this fight. When I was a youngster my legs used to get tired. I never get tired now. I'm stronger than I ever was before. I can work for hours and it seems like a few minutes.

"'As for that private meeting, I'll tell you exactly what that was for. I was responsible for that. The others all wanted to have it in the big room where all the reporters were. I had an engagement at Washington that night and had to catch a train about 2 o'clock.

"'Johnson is a windbag. When he can get in front of a crowd he wants to throw his chest out and talk and think he's the whole works. I knew that he'd talk and stall and object for hours if he could. He might even try to make the whole thing a joke by stalling along until I had to leave for the train. That's why I made them go over the articles in a private room.

"'Even at that Johnson stalled and kicked about everything, while I kept my mouth shut to save time. There was one set of articles, and only one. You can bet your life on that, too. That's the set of articles that was given out to the newspapers, and it goes. The winner will get 75 per cent and the loser 25 per cent, and that goes, too.'

HAS QUIT SMOKING.

"We went in and sat down. I offered Jeffries a cigar. 'Haven't smoked for a year, and I won't until the fight is over,' he said gruffly. 'I don't care for tobacco any more. I haven't had a drink for a long time, either. Don't want any.'

"Manager Sam Berger had joined us. 'Here's my grip with the original articles and all of Jeff's private papers in it,' said Sam. 'You can look the lot over, and if there's anything out of the way make any use of it you want to. There's only one set of articles and there couldn't be any private agreement. Jeff wouldn't stand for such a thing. He's going to win this fight, and win it in a round if he can.'

"Here Berger stopped a moment and then unconsciously repeated what J. Iries had said a few minutes before.

"'And you can go and bet your life on it,' said Sam.

JIM'S HIGH WEIGHT.

"Jeff went to a Turkish bath. The giant looked in fine shape, but I couldn't get him on the scales. He dodged with a wave of his hand and skipped into the steam room. 'Guess I must weigh as much as 235 pounds,' was all he'd say.

"Jack McCormick said he hadn't seen Jeffries on the scales since he joined the athletic show that Jeffries is taking around the country. 'But I think he has another guess on 235,' said Jack. 'I weigh 221, and I'm not half his size. Why, I'm like a boy beside the big fellow, and he's all muscle and bone.'"

ATHLETIC CALENDAR IS WELL FILLED AT SELMA

No Empty Stocking for Dry Town Fans; Two Games.

SELMA, Dec. 24.—Amateur sports are to boom here on Christmas Day, the morning being given to baseball and the afternoon to football. Particular interest is added to the event because the teams for both morning and afternoon games are recruits from the "has-been" class who have old scores to even. The baseball contest is to be between a team of clerks from the Walter Scott company pitted against a team recruited from the Kutner-Goldstein and Rochdale stores. Each team has some veteran players and also includes some men who know a lemon from a baseball, and who have learned inside "dope" from older heads of how to act when the ball comes their way. From the practice games, a good contest, full of excitement and errors, is promised.

The football game is to be played by a team comprising some of the regular High school squad and a team made up of alumni players. There is enough of the regular team in the lineup to promise speedy and clever ball, while the personnel of the alumni players includes the strongest men from several years' teams. Some of these men have since entered varsity ball teams and are showing some smart tactics in their practice work that will make the younger boys hustle.

PAY IS ADVANCED.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 24.—As a Christmas gift, the company operating the Indianapolis street car system announced today that the pay of men employed by the company for three years or more would be advanced one cent an hour.

MEDICAL COLLEGE BURNS.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 24. The medical building at the State University was destroyed by fire tonight, causing a loss of $75,000.

TEX RICKARD SAYS SALT LAKE IS THE SPOT

Reiterates Statement That San Francisco Will Lose Fight.

SALT LAKE CITY, Dec. 24.—"It can be said positively that the Jeffries-Johnson contest will be held in Salt Lake City."

This statement was made today by "Tex" Rickard a few hours after he arrived in this city.

Continuing, Rickard said: "I have been assured by the leading business men of the city that there will be no official interference with the fight, and on that assurance I am going ahead with the preliminary arrangements."

Rickard said the contest would be held in the Salt Lake "Saucer Track," the capacity of which would be enlarged. He expected that the contest would draw a $200,000 gate with the price of seats ranging from $5 to $50.

HANDSOME MALAY GIRLS.

A representative of the Dutch government in the Indies just returned to The Hague from Java has brought with him a collection of photographs exhibiting remarkable improvements in the looks of the children of Malay women married to Europeans.

"The daughters of European men and Malay women would be looked upon as beauties in Europe," said the official, "for they are exquisite, as a rule. Their feet are extremely small and beautifully formed, their waist would be the envy of any Parisian woman, their hands are narrow and aristocratic, their arms well shaped, and they have the prettiest shoulders in the world."

The German explorer Finsch brings similar reports from New Zealand. He says that among the female descendants of European and Maori women the majority are exquisitely beautiful. The Swedish explorer Sodenskjoeld says that the Greenland women have improved by intermarriage with Europeans.—Chicago Examiner.

ART BENNETT'S AGGREGATION OF BALL TOSSERS, CHAMPIONS OF CENTRAL CALIFORNIA, WHO PLAY AT SANGER TOMORROW AGAINST THE FAST REDS

Reading from left to right the players are:
Top row—E. Baldwin, cf.; L. King, c.; H. Howard, p.; G. Brant, 3b.; A. Kilns, ss.; E. Preston, (captain), 1b.;
Middle row—W. Ashley, 2b.; A. Bennett, (manager); G. Harriman, p.
Bottom row—"Dad" Reuter, lf.; G. Preston, utility.
Following is the enviable record of the Republican team since it reorganization two months ago by Manager Bennett: October 31, won from Readley, 12 to 0; November 7, won from Bang's Boosters, 11 to 1; November 14, played Kutners tie, 5 to 5, ten innings; November 21, won from Sanger, 8 to 0; November 28, won from Madera, 7 to 5; December 1, won from Dinuba, 8 to 0; December 12, won from Selma, 2 to 1; December 19, won from Brunawicks, 7 to 3. This gives the team a record of seven victories and one tie in eight games played to date. Manager Bennett is now after a game with the Hanford team.

BLUE AND WHITE VS PURPLE AND GOLD TODAY

Local Moleskin Artists Will Clash on Recreation Park Gridiron.

TODAY'S LINE-UP:

Reliance.		High School.
McIntyre	le	Crawford
Hill	lt	Tufts
Poole	lg	McDowell
Lack	c	Harkness
L. Knapp	rg	McNulty
Hulburd	rt	Edgerly
Hirch	re	Fenstermaker
Golliday	q	Olufs
Collins	lh	McCollister
Stafford	rh	Grimes
Harriman	f	Mumson
O'Leavis	subs	Helm
Kemper	subs	Gedy
Picket	subs	Webster

At 3 o'clock this afternoon the Blue and White will clash with Purple and Gold on Recreation Park field in the initial meeting of the season between the rival warriors. The Fresno High school eleven has made a fairly good record on the gridiron to date, while the Fresno Reliance team has won but two out of six games played. This gives the Purple and Gold crew the best of it on the dope sheet.

However, Manager Les Knapp of the Blue and White has improved his squad fully 50 per cent, as has been shown in the last two games, the fast Tulare Deaf Mutes being taken into camp by scores of 5 to 0 and 17 to 3. Today, Knapp hopes to prove to Fresno fans that his organization is the better of the two local teams.

During the past week each eleven has put forth efforts to get into the best possible condition, considering the inclement weather. The forecast is for more propitious atmosphere for pigskin-chasing this afternoon, and the largest crowd of the season should be in attendance. A feature will be the rooting of the rival factions. Each delegation of rooters will wear the respective colors, and the struggle should resemble a great college game from the sidelines.

The kickoff will occur at 3 o'clock. Another big football game scheduled for today is the Fowler Tigers vs. Tulare Deaf Mutes on the Fowler gridiron.

PLACING THE BLAME.

Whom should I blame because I do not stand
Much higher in the big world's estimation?
On whom should I let fall the heavy hand
Of disapproval for my lowly station?
What miscreant is he who holds me down
To common bread and cheap domestic cheese?
Thus must I answer, with embarrassed frown:
"The man who bags my trousers at the knees."

Who makes my wife suspect, though loyal still,
Her husband might have made a better living?
Whose throat should gulp the nauseating pill
That far too oft I need some tall forgiving?
Who keeps my income at the feeble ebb
So that it seems to dwindle by degrees?
Who has enmeshed me in a drudge's web?
The man who bags my trousers at the knees.

Yet though my debt to him seem largely grudge,
As we account our debts to fellow mortals,
I'll plead for him before the final Judge
When he has passed beyond death's gloomy portals.
For while he's kept me humbled in the dust,
Preventing of my doing as I please,
It is my weakness to be more than just
To him who bags my trousers at the knees.

OWEN MORAN PICKS JOHNSON TO GATHER

Says Jeff Is Out for Good; Wants to Meet Bat Nelson.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Owen Moran, the English lightweight, looking for a fight with Battling Nelson for the lightweight championship, arrived today on the Lusitania.

"Coffroth is anxious to see us get together and to push through arrangements for a good match," said Moran. "It merely remains for Nelson to get down to business. It has been suggested a fight between Nelson and myself might afford a good preliminary for the Jeffries-Johnson battle."

Asked his opinion of the coming match for the heavyweight championship, Moran said:

"My money will go on Johnson. Jeffries has been out of the game for years and the chances are he has lost his judgment of distance. And when a man loses that he generally loses it for good."

ATHLETIC GOSSIP

Pitcher Roy Beecher, formerly with the Giants, has been purchased from Rochester by Denver.

Midshipman Henry Clay of Pennsylvania has been elected captain of the Navy football team.

Mal Eason, the former pitcher, has put in an application to both major leagues for a position as umpire.

Danny Shay has purchased Outfielder Gorash from the New York Nationals for his Kansas City team.

Negotiations have been started by Robert Hedges, owner of the St. Louis Americans, for the purchase of the Newark Eastern League Club from Frank Farrell of the New York Americans. Hedges offered Farrell $45,000 for the controlling interest in the Newark club.

Here is a baseball team made up of players whose name begins with "M." The team would make a hard proposition for any team composed of members the initial letter of whose last names is the same. The "M" team has its great strength in the pitcher's box. There it could not be beat. Mathewson, Mullin and Maddox make a trio of world beaters. This is it: Pitchers Mathewson, Mullin and Maddox; catchers, Meyers and Marshall; infielders, Merkle, Miller, Mowrey and Moriarity; outfielders, McIntyre, Mitchell and Murphy; manager, McGillicuddy (Connie Mack.)

WESTON TO WALK FROM LOS ANGELES TO NEW YORK

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 24.—Edward Payson Weston, the aged pedestrian, is planning to walk from Los Angeles to New York, starting on January 29th. He will follow the Santa Fe railroad to Chicago. Eastern arrangements for the long walk are being made by Thomas H. Hubbard of New York. Weston expects to establish a new record for the transcontinental tramp.

COLLEGE BUILDING DESTROYED.

FARGO, N. D., Dec. 24.—Fire destroyed the chemical laboratory building of the State Agricultural College tonight. The loss is $64,000.

RESUME RACING AT JUAREZ TRACK TODAY

Course Has Dried Out and $1500 Handicap Will Be Feature.

JUAREZ, Mex., Dec. 24.—With an excellent card offered for tomorrow, racing will be resumed at Terrazi's Park. As a result of the mild weather today the track has dried out considerably and the management expects a fast track for the races on Christmas Day.

The feature of the card is the Navidad Handicap at a mile and a sixteenth, valued at $1500, and a fine field of starters.

The other five events have filled well. James Butler, owner of the Empire City track at Yonkers, N. Y., arrived today to spend the holidays.

Entries for December 25:

First race, five and a half furlongs—Seven Full, 115; Kopek, 109; E. M. Frey, 107; Lomond, Patriot, 106; Valley Stream, 104; Edna Edwards, Gressham, * Ocean Queen, Succeed, 102; Chipmunk, 100; Brougham, 97.

Second race, seven furlongs—Mrs. Nugent, Cheswardine, Albion II., Contestee, Hancock, Dainty Belle, 109; Engraver, Dredkin, 105; * Gunston, * Posing, 104; * Light House, * Dr. Downie, 100.

Third race, five and a half furlongs—Tipster, May Bride, Lord Clinton, Banlady, Brunhilde, Lady Paret, Radation, 107; * Muxlow, 105; Aunt Nancy, * Mary Genevieve, * Lady Panchita, 102.

Fourth race, the Navidad, $1500, mile and a sixteenth—Gloria, 127, Pinkola, 118; The Wrestler, 105; Jeanette M., 102; Tremargo, 90.

Fifth race, six furlongs—Tony Faust, Charlie Doherty, Himalaya, 117; Tillinghast, Rey Mundo, Elder Pelham, Rickey Oriflamb, Bonnie Prince Charlie, 114; * Gibson, * Marmorean, 109.

Sixth race, one mile—Ora Sudduth, Maud Sigsbee, Moliere, Virginia Lindsey, Salado, 107, Tremargo, 105; Wineberry, Sensible, Bryce, 103; * Buna, * The Thorn, 102; * Coat Cutter, 98.

*—Apprentice allowance.

"UNCLE TOM" M'CAREY SIGNS BAT NELSON AND WOLGAST

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 24.—Thomas McCarey, manager of the Pacific Athletic Club of this city, announced that he had secured an agreement for a 45-round contest between Battling Nelson and Ad Wolgast. Wolgast, who is in the city with his manager, Tom Jones, signed the agreement tonight and Nelson telegraphed his acceptance from Chicago.

Nelson is to be given $10,000, win, lose or draw and the men will post a side bet of $5000.

The contest will take place in February or March, the exact date to be decided later, and the Vernon arena, outside the city limits, will be the scene of it.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 24.—The date of the Nelson-Wolgast contest of forty-five rounds in this city was today set for February 22. Wolgast's manager today posted $1000 to guarantee the appearance of his man in the ring. A side bet of $5000 will be made between the two contestants.

ROCKEFELLER CHRISTMAS GIFTS

TARRYTOWN, N. Y., Dec. 24.—William Rockefeller distributed gifts tonight to his sixty employes at his home here at the rate of $5 for each year of service. Three men received $100 each. The total reached $2500.

CHESTER KRUM PROVES TO BE CLEVER TWO-YEAR-OLD WHEN HE CAPTURES THE OCEAN VIEW

OAKLAND, Dec. 24.—Chester Krum proved to be one of the cleverest 2-year-olds at Emeryville, when he won the Ocean View Handicap today after a rather ordinary ride on the part of Buxton. Turret, making his first appearance of the season, was favorite, but the weight told on him and he finished outside the money. Chester Krum led Binocular by over a length at the finish.

Oswald B, at 10 to 1, proved the surprise in the second.

RESULTS.

First race, six furlongs, selling—Billy Myer, 104 (C. Williams), 10 to 1, won; Thistle Belle, 105 (Kederis), 4 to 5, second; Nevgored, 105 (Martin), 9 to 2, third. Time, 1:14 2-5. Aunt Kit, Lord of The Forest, Burnell and Colonel Brady finished as named.

Second race, futurity course, selling—Oswald B, 107 (Borel), 9 to 2, won; Ketchel, 107 (Glass), 10 to 1, second; Calopus, 107 (Buxton), 6 to 1, third. Time, 1:14 4-5. Beda, Delmas, Good Ship, Airie Fairie, Glare and La Petite finished as named.

Third race, one and one-fourth mile, selling—Miss Naomi, 104 (Vosper), 11 to 5, won; St. Albans, 104 (Jahnsen), 15 to 1, second; Whidden, 109 (Coburn), 9 to 5, third. Time, 2:08 1-5. Legates, Plevigny, Belmere and Lazell finished as named.

Fourth race, six furlongs, Ocean View Handicap—Chester Krum, 102 (Buxton), 9 to 2, won; Binocular, 104 (Vosper), 5 to 1, second; Eddie Graney, 88 (Radtke), 12 to 1, third. Time, 1:14. Turret, Miles, Lewiston and Miss Pisnic finished as named.

Fifth race, one mile, selling—Mossback, 114 (Gross), 7 to 1, won; Peggy O'Neal, 109 (Jahnsen), 15 to 1, second; Meltondale, 95 (Glass), 11 to 10, third. Time, 1:42 2-5. Homeless, Lady Kitty, Gretchen G, Birth Cocksure, Coriel, Bemay, Belle Farrow and Litholin finished as named.

Sixth race, futurity course, selling—Contra Costa, 106 (Vosper), 4 to 1, won; Dewalts, 124 (Keogh), 26 to 1, second; Galvanic, 124 (Monroe), 4 to 1, third. Time, 1:11 4-5. Cuernavaca, Marwood, Lovely Mary, Elmolino, Schmooser, Billy Bowlegs, Oriadora and Swagerlater finished as named.

TODAY'S ENTRIES.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24.—Entries for Oakland, December 25:

First race, five furlongs, 2-year-olds, purse—Passenger, Minnedocia, 109; J. H. Barr, 107; Daddy Gip, Galene Gale, 104; Dr. Dougherty, 103; Silk, 100; Zinkand, 100; Phosphorus, 98; Phil Mohr, Pride of Lismore, Dixie Dixon, 95.

Second race, six furlongs, 3-year-olds and up, selling—Abel, 112; Darevington, Nagazam, 109; Anna May, Inclement, John H. Sheehan, 108; Biskra, Madeline Musgrave, 107; May Sutton, Velma C, 105; Pimkim, 102; Belnade, 100.

Third race, six and one-half furlongs, all ages, selling—Ampedo, 109; Ocean Shore, Silver Line, Pickaway, Friar of Elgin, 108; David Warfield, Dorothy Ledgett, Likely Dieudonne, Salnest, 103; Tom O'Malley, 91; Resen, 89; Sainotta, 91.

Fourth race, one and one-sixteenth miles, Christmas handicap, all ages—Boggs, 102; Arasee, 108; Blackford, 103; Edwin T. Fryer, Silver Knight, 90.

Fifth race, one mile, all ages, selling—Jim Gaffney, 113; Woolen, 106; Luxurio, Bishop W., 105; Cadichon, 104; Rosevale, John Louis, 103; Raleigh, Emma G, Convent Bell, 102; Mi Derecho, 101.

Sixth race, five and one-half furlongs, all ages, purse—Prejuicio Sewell, 114; Collector Jessup, 109; Roy T, Ybor, 107; Lady Elizabeth, 93.

MORE OUTLAW TALK FROM THE FAR NORTH

Leader of Spokane Club Says Coast League Should Be Fought.

SPOKANE, Dec. 24.—"I am against going into the Coast League under any agreement," stated Jos. Cohn, president of the Spokane baseball club today. "My advice at the next Northwestern League meeting will be to fight the Coast League. I am bitterly opposed to the eight club circuit and am ready to fight the proposition, but if Dugdale and Sheeder want to swing that way, of course I will climb into the band wagon and go with them. We are better off just the way we are without Portland in the league. There is no reason why we should allow the Coast League to dictate to us, and if the other members at our meeting will take my advice it will be a battle to the finish with the Northwestern League outlaw, if necessary."

SEATTLE, Dec. 24.—President D. E. Dugdale of the Seattle baseball club said today that a Coast League club was not desired here and that whether Portland has a Northwestern club depends on Congressman McCredie, who apparently has not made up his mind.

ATHLETE GETS OFFER.

SAN DIEGO, Dec. 24. — Professor Joseph Courtney, physical and rowing instructor of the San Diego Rowing Club, says he has received an offer of a similar position with Georgetown University. He has not decided whether or not to accept.

Dr. Sarah Pugh, Osteopathic Physician, 150 Forsyth Bldg. Main 488.

AL KAUFMAN WILL NEED AN AXE TO BEAT O'BRIEN

"Philadelphia Jack" Is a Beat-Cat on Six-Round Exhibitions.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24.—Jack O'Brien and Al Kaufman have been matched to meet here in a six-round go on the night of January 19.

Just whether Kaufman will be permitted to carry an axe into the ring, or limit the padded enclosure to 4x4 the foregoing dispatch doesn't say—but the fans on this side of the Rockies are wondering by what subtle means of persuasion Confessor Jawn enticed Little Al into such a net.

Kaufman has about as much chance with O'Brien over six rounds in Philadelphia as a can of gasoline has in hades. O'Brien was always known as a shrewd business man of the ring, but Kaufman was never credited with a repetition of the Johnson ten-round bloomer.

Six rounds in Philadelphia will hardly give Kaufman chance to put his feet in the resin box. And over this route O'Brien would have the temerity to tackle Jeff himself. He got away with it against Johnson—what chance has Kaufman!

Johnny Coulon is to fight again. He is to meet Earl Denniho at Gary, Ind., in a ten-round affair at 115 ringside, no-decision, if both are on their feet at the limit.

McGraw says that Catcher Meyers, whose Indian name is Chief Tortes, will not be lonesome next year, Mac has signed another full-blooded Indian in John Bull, an Oneida, who played with the Marion club last year. This makes four redskins McGraw has drafted in two years.

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Turnips—2½c. bunch.
Carrots—2½c. bunch.
String Beans—10c. lb.
Radishes—2 bunches 5c.
Savory—5c. bunch.
Thyme—5c. bunch.
Lemons—15c. to 20c. dozen.
Oranges—20c. to 60c. dozen.
Potatoes—New, 2c. lb.
Sweet Potatoes—10 lbs. for 25c.
Cabbages—2½c. lb.
Lettuce—5c.
Hubbard Squash—2½c. lb.
Horseradish Roots—20c. lb.
Beets—2 bunches 5c.
Cashaws—15c. and 20c.
Lima Beans—2 lbs. for 25c.

Butter, Eggs and Honey.

Butter—90c. roll.
Colony Butter—65c. roll.
Eggs—45c. dozen.
Combed Honey—2 combs 25c.

Fresh Meats.

Beefsteak—10c. to 20c. per lb.; roast 10c. to 15c. lb.
Mutton—12½c. to 15c. per lb.
Lamb—15c. to 25c. per lb.
Pork—12½c. to 18c. per lb.
Veal—12½c. to 20c. lb.
Lard—15c. to 20c. per lb.

Dressed Stock.

Steer—7c. to 8c. lb.
Veal—7c. to 8c. per lb.
Chickens—Broilers, dressed, 25c. per lb. alive 18c. per lb.
Chickens—Dressed hen 25c. per lb.; alive 12½c. per lb.
Chickens—Fryers, dressed, 30c. per lb.
Turkeys—Dressed 30c. per lb.

Mill Stuffs.

Wheat—$2.25 cwt.
Barley—$1.25 sack.
Corn Meal—40c. per 10 lb. sack.
Graham Meal—40c. per 10 lb. sack.
Egyptian Corn—$1.85 per lb.
Flour—$1.85 per sack.
Bran—$21 ton.
Middlings—$23 ton; $1.65 sack.
Ground Alfalfa—$1.50 sack.
Cracked Wheat—40c. per 10 lb. sack.
Oat Meal—55c. per 10 lb. sack.

RECORDED DEEDS

Sheriff to W. D. Crichton Lots 9-12 in Block 2 of Grand Avenue park for $24.35 under execution against Joaquin Lamothe.

TOWNS AND ADDITIONS

Francis B. Haslam and the divorced wife, Sarah F., abandoned under date of December 21, 1909, homestead claim to Lot 81 and N.½ of 80 of North Park extension, and he deeded to her his half interest as her separate property.

L. W. Payton and Chris P. Jensen to Louis Beekler S.½ of W.½ of S.½ of Lot 8 in Block B of Wolter's Colony, subject to contract between the Paytons and John Bain of March 10, 1908.

J. T. Carpenter to wife, Elizabeth, Lots 1-12 in Block 1 of Mount Hood addition to Fresno.

Bessie A. Nelson to Amy Good of Clovis Lots 17-20 of Block A of Fisher's addition to Fresno.

E. C. Hutchinson of San Francisco to Cullen C. Allen Lots 9 and 10 in Sanger town block 132.

Abram H. Rohrer to R. N. Hardison Lots 13 and 14 in Reedley town block 28.

OUTSIDE PROPERTY

R. E. Nash to J. L. Nelson N.½ of Lot 16 of Kimble Colony, mortgaged for $3250 at Sanger payable in three $333 payments and one $1250 in December, 1913 with 7 per cent interest.

C. H. Caughell to M. F. and V. F. Moore S.½ of N.¼ of 17-12-24, it being agreed that no wood shall be cut or sold from the land before January 1, 1911.

O. E. Price to J. G. Bass Lots 5-8 in Sanger town block 128; Bass mortgaged to C. J. Powell Lots 5-8 for $500 for one year at 10 per cent net.

Widow L. J. Downing of Tulare to Sarah M. Stout and others E.½ of E.½ of 3-14-25 of 157 acres, excepting a tract 200x435.

Cosmos Land and Water company to Jacob Martin 109 acres in Lots 291-295 of Perrin Colony No. 1.

J. H. Heiny of Fillmore, Neb., to Milton Saylor N.E.¼ of S.E.¼ of S.E.¼ of 28-15-19.

O. J. Woodward to J. E. Davis 320 acres of S.½ of 30-15-20.

C. H. Sears to Theodore Carlson N.W. ¼ of S.W.¼ of 4-18-18.

Benjamin F. Hart to H. A. Barkelew N.W.¼ of 15-15-14.

MORTGAGE RECORDS

G. P. Baley to D. C. McLaughlin E.½ of S.E.¼ of 25-16-23, also N.E.¼ of S.E. ¼ and Lots 3 and 4 of 30-16-24, and all of N.E.¼ of S.W.¼ and E.½ of N.W.¼ and Lot 1 in 3-16-24 north and northwest of old county road leading to Pine Ridge and known as Old Donahoo or Toll House road, for $1000 for one year at 8 per cent.

Title Insurance and Trust company reconveyed to Charles C. Sherwood of Los Angeles under deed of trust of December 17, 1909, for $1500; Sherwoods mortgaged to Farmers' bank of Selma S.½ of Lot 21-24 in Block 9 of Union addition to Selma for $1800 at 8 per cent.

Reconveyance by Title Insurance and Trust company to Albert L. Joslin under Ellen J. Rose deed of trust for $800. The document is smoke colored by the fire the other night in Ewing-McDaniel's real estate office.

S. F. Hubler to W. M. Barr lots 2 and 4 of the Webster land (1.70 acres), for $1500 for 6 months at 10 per cent, payable with 10 per cent at Sanger and privilege not to exceed in all $2500.

John Criale to Atwood F. Wakefield W. ½ of S.W.¼, S.W.¼ of N.W.¼ and N.E. ¼ of S.W.¼ of 25-12-24 and N.W.¼ of N.W.¼ of 25-12-24 of 200 acres for $1800 for 3 years at Sanger for 8 per cent net.

Sarah F. Haslam, who was divorced the other day, mortgaged to F. M. Smith Lot 81 and N.½ of 80 of North Park extension for $600 for one year at 10 per cent net.

A. G. Rose to Trustees of Fresno Lodge 81 of Fraternal Brotherhood Lot 7 and S. ½ ¼ of 6 in Fresno city block 113 for $553.50 for one year at 7 per cent.

Sarah R. Valentine, formerly Bragg, to E. H. Nason N.W.¼ of N.E.¼ of 21-15-21 (40 acres) for 1350 for one year at 7 per cent.

H. A. Barkelew to Benjamin F. Hart N.W.¼ of 15-14 for $400 for one year at 6 per cent to secure part of purchase price.

E. L. to P. J. Ostergard Lot 32 of Kimble Colony for $2000 payable at Sanger before 5 years at 6 per cent net.

John Olson to Thomas Long Lots 3 and 4 in 34-15-23 (67.36 acres) for $2500 for 3 years at 8 per cent.

Vito Lombardi and E. Piechi to J. S. Bretz W.½ of N.W.¼ of 21-14-22 for $3250 for 3 years at 10 per cent.

Michael to P. C. Hansen Lot 253 of Washington Irrigated Colony for $1000 $1000 for 4 years at 6 per cent.

S. Arakawa trust deeded to Farmers' and Mechanics' Savings bank N.W.¼ of 27-15-20 for $7400.

F. Nakashima to People's Savings bank S.E.¼ of N.W.¼ and 4-15-20 for $1700 in 2 years at 7% first year.

Jacob Martin to A. L. Wallace Lots 291-295 of Perrin Colony for 1000 for one year at 8 per cent.

ASSIGNED CONTRACT

G. L. Long for $10,000 paid by A. D. Chance assigned to him under date of the 26th all interest in contract of December 1, 1909 between Long and William Bryant as affecting the E.½ of N.W.¼ of 34-13-23.

CHATTEL MORTGAGES

Farmer Elsworth J. Burrell of Laton to Farmer M. W. Burrell, also of Laton, for $2400 payable at Hanford in 1913 at 6 per cent swine, stock cattle, horses, mare, 20 tons of corn and spring wagon on Fike place, formerly the Monroe Burrell, 10 F. Conn cattle.

Henry Lehman to Geo. Gefuert all alfalfa and grain in 1910 on S.E.¼ of N.W. ¼ of 30-13-19 2 horses, double harness and a 2 horse wagon for $300 for 6 months at 10 per cent.

Charles M. McAllister to H. A. Pratt piano for $250 for one year at 8 per cent.

CROP MORTGAGE

Wong Jim and Wong Sam to J. Q. Anderson 1910 crops on N.½ of N.W.¼ and S.E.¼ of N.W.¼ of 20-15-22 for $5000 before December 1, 1910, without interest paid when due, otherwise 10 per cent per annum.

CONTRACT COMPLETED

Notice recorded by Secretary L. Levy for Levy Brothers of the completion by F. A. Fuhr & Son of their contract for the installation of plumbing in the remodeling of Edgerly block on Lots 1-4 in Fresno city block 73 and acceptance of the work.

REDEMPTION CERTIFICATES

At request of R. E. L. Good redemption has been made from the city for the widening of Howard street of Lot 19 Block A Fisher's addition, assessed and penalized for total of $23.45, also Lots 17, 20 and 18 each for $254.

ACTION PENDING

Notice recorded of action pending by J. J. Raher of San Francisco against Annie Knox as executrix of estate of John F. Knox involving title to Fresno county property, namely N.¾, S.E.¼, E.½ of S. W.¼ of 10, all of 11, N.E.¼ and E.½ of N.W.¼ of 15-14-15.

NOTICE OF SALE

Gus Brown, Louis Mikolopulos and Steve Stonis give notice of the sale to George Panlos on the 29th of the Turkish cafe at 1416 Tulare street for $250.

SAN FRANCISCO MARKET REPORT

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24.—Fruits—Fancy apples 75@100; common 50@65.

Berries—Cranberries 850@1100.

Grapes—Ordinary 40@65.

Pears—Common 75; fancy 125.

Pomegranates—150@200.

Persimmons—50@125.

Quinces—Nominal.

Oranges —Navels 150@250; Valencia nominal.

Mexican limes—400@450.

Lemons— Common California 150@250; good to choice 300@350; fancy 400@450.

Tropical fruits—Bananas 50@325; pineapples 200@300.

Beans —Pink 365@385; Lima 410@420; small white 450@485; large white 325@ 365.

Potatoes —Oregon Burbanks 115@125; Salinas Burbanks 125@140; Merced Sweets 150@160.

Onions—Fancy 110; common 100.

Various— Green peas 15@20; string beans 15@25; egg plant 10@15; green peppers 5@8; tomatoes 100@150; summer squash 175@200; rhubarb 5@7; garlic 4@ 6; hot house cucumbers 100@125; mushrooms 50@125.

Butter—Fancy creamery 36; seconds 31; fancy dairy 29.

Cheese—New 18@18½; Young America 18@19.

Eggs—Ranch 47; store 42½.

Poultry—Live turkeys 20@23; dressed turkeys 24@27; roosters, old 400@600; roosters, young 650@900; broilers, small 350@450; broilers, large 450@500; fryers 550@650; hens 500@1000; ducks, old 400@ 600; ducks, young 700@900; geese 200@300; pigeons, old 100@125; pigeons, young 200 @250.

Flour—Family extras 650@760; bakers' extras 660@760; Oregon and Washington 560@590.

Wheat—Shipping 195@200; milling 195.

Barley—Feed 147½@150; brewing 160@ 152½; Chevalier 150@165.

Oats—Red 167½@180; white 170@175; black 225@250.

Millstuffs—Middlings 3650@3750; mixed feed 2800@3300; rolled barley 3200@ 3300; oatmeal 440@460; oat groats 460; rolled oats 3960@4000.

Hay—Wheat 1400@1950; wheat and oat 1300@1700; oat, wild 1000@1400; oat, tame 1200@1600; barley 3250@3300; alfalfa 900@ 1200; straw 50@75.

Receipts—Flour 5836; wheat 600; barley 3265; beans 555; corn 600; potatoes 1000; mining 1000; middlings 165; hay 190; hides 1070; wine 21,000.

SAN FRANCISCO. Wheat unchanged; no trading; cash $1.95@$2.00.

Barley unchanged. May $1.48 bid, $1.49 asked; December $1.45 bid; cash $1.47 ½@$1.50.

Corn unchanged; large yellow $1.75@ $1.8..

The board adjourned until Monday.

EASTERN QUOTATIONS

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Evaporated apples quiet; spot fancy, new crop 10½@11 ½c; choice 8¾@9c; prime 7¾@7½c; old crop, prime 7½c; common to fair 6@7c.

Prunes steady; California up to 30-40's 2½@9c; Oregons 6@9c.

Apricots steady; choice 11¾@12c; extra choice 11½@12c; fancy 12½@13½c.

Peaches firm; choice 6¾@7c; extra choice 7@7½c; fancy 7¾@8c.

Raisins unsettled; loose Muscatel 4@5c; choice to fancy seeded 5@6½c; seedless 3½@5c; London layers $1.17½@$1.20.

CHICAGO.—Trading in the wheat pit was inclined to drag the greater part of the day today owing to pre-holiday inertia. Sentiment was bearish nearly all day although some buoyancy was manifested on a few occasions owing to covering by shorts. There was almost nothing in the gossip of the day to encourage the bulls while several factors inspired moderate selling.

The chief influences that prompted sales were easy cables, increasing receipts, particularly at St. Louis and Kansas City, rain or snow during the last 24 hours throughout the southwest, slack demand for the cash grain, and the weekly report of a St. Louis crop journal which claimed that the fall sown crop is in excellent condition. The bulk of trading was in the May delivery and that option sold between $1.10½ and $1.11⅝@¾. Closing figures on May were at 1.11⅛.

The corn market was strong and closed with prices ¾@1⅛c higher.

Oats were firm. Prices at the close were ⅛@¼c higher.

Provisions closed unchanged to 5@7½c higher.

PORTLAND.—Wheat: Track prices—Club $1.03; bluestem $1.18; red Russian $1.08; Turkey red $1.10; forty-fold $1.19; valley $1.08.

LIVERPOOL.—Close: Wheat, December 8s 1½d; March 7s 11¼d; May 7s 9¼d. Weather cold.

ST. LOUIS.—Wool unchanged; medium grades combing and clothing 24@29c; light fine 22@27c; heavy fine 12@21c; tub washed 21@25c.

NEW YORK.—Sugar: Raw barely steady; Muscovado 89 test $3.52; centrifugal 96 test $4.02; molasses sugar 89 test $3.27; refined sugar quiet; cut loaf $5.75; crushed $5.65; mould A $5.30; cubes $5.20; fine granulated $4.95; diamond A $4.85; confectioners A $4.75; No. 1 $4.70; No. 2 $4.65; No. 3 $4.55; No. 4 $4.55; No. 5 $4.50; No. 6 $4.45; No. 7 $4.40; No. 8 $4.35; No. 9 $4.30; No. 10 $4.25; No. 11 $4.20; No. 12 $4.15; No. 13 $4.10; No. 14, $4.10.

THE NEW YORK STOCK MARKET

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Today was a holiday stock market in the seasonable dullness which restricted the activities almost wholly to the closing up of contracts. Borrowing on call today carries over until Monday and the evidence of over supply of funds as the day progressed helped to allay apprehension and conduced to the stiffening of prices of stocks.

Discounts eased in foreign markets, indicating the prospect of money relaxation after the turn of the year. Another sharp relapse in foreign exchange rates pointed to the speculative nature of some of the recent strength in that market and the scarcity of exchange bills left on hand as a consequence.

Reading second preferred collapsed violently, running off 15½ points from price touched in the volatile rise of yesterday. The most conspicuous movement was in the Rock Island group, both in the stocks and in the collateral bonds secured by the old Rock Island stock. Relief in identical control of this company, Lehigh Valley and Wabash still figured as the chief influences in the movement.

An advance in the price of copper metal in London gave an upward impetus to stocks of the copper industrials.

The large shifting of loans that has been going on during the week was indicated by the actual decrease of $11,902,360 in that item of the clearing house banks as against an increase in the average of non-clearing house institutions of $12,034,100. The actual statement failed to show the expected gain in cash and reported a small decrease.

The bank statement did not appear until after the stock market closed and was not appraised in the dealings there, unless the reactionary movement late in the day was due to some advance knowledge that the showing would be rather less favorable than was expected. The stock market closed irregular in consequence of this reflection.

Bonds were irregular. Total sales, par value, $6,441,000.

United States 3s have advanced ¼ and the 2s per ¼ per cent in the bid price on call since last week.

TREASURY BALANCE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The condition of the treasury at the beginning of business today was as follows:

Trust funds, gold coin $878,237,889; silver dollars $419,626,660, silver dollars of 1890 $3,955,000, silver certificates outstanding $488,656,000.

General fund, Standard silver dollars in general fund $1,481,465; current liabilities $106,342,772, working balance in treasury offices $23,922,178; in banks to credit of treasurer of the United States $37,172,780, subsidiary silver coin $15,509,505, minor coin $1,026,855, total balance in general fund $79,586,665.

CLEARING HOUSE REPORT

NEW YORK, Dec. 24. The statement of the clearing house banks for the week ended five days shows that the banks hold $15,115,275 more than the requirements of the 25 per cent reserve rule. This is a decrease of $298,125 in the proportionate cash reserve as compared with last week.

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2000	Aladdin (Fuhrman)	Bid
250	Alpine	1.10
500	Amazon (Midway)	.21
25	Amy	2.20
550	Blue Moon	.24
500	Baird	.15
200	Blair	.35
200	Best Yet	.50
500	Bear Creek	Bid
3000	Big Sesue	.7
1000	Call	3.00
500	Canadian Pacific	.45
500	Coalinga Consolidated	.16
500	Coalinga-Homestake	Bid
500	Coalinga National	Bid
100	Coalinga Income	.50
1000	D-I Rey	.22
500	De Luxe	Bid
1000	Empire	Bid
200	Fresno & S. F.	.10
800	Fifty-Seven	.15
1400	Federal	.35
1000	Great Western	Bid
500	S. N. G. Crude	12½
1000	Gold Tip	Bid
1000	Gypsy	.22
1000	Hanford Sanger	.32
200	Illinois Crude	Bid
500	Jumbo	.60
1000	Johnson	.50
18	Knob Hill	12.50
1000	Liberty	.14
500	L. A. Coalinga	2.60
1000	Lady Washington	.12
100	Lucile	13.25
400	Muriel	.50
3500	Madison	.12
100	Marion	.95
1000	Mountain Girl	.20
1000	Mt. Diablo	.93
500	N. Y. Coalinga	.30
200	Netherlands	.75
100	North Pole (owns the Moon ground)	1.25
5000	North Coalinga	Bid
1000	Overland	.07
1000	Portola Petroleum (Treasury Stock)	12½
500	Pluto	22½
500	Premier	.93
1000	Pyramid	.35
400	Pacific States	.50
50	Producers'	Bid
150	Red Top	.95
1000	Revenue	.85
500	Rice Ranch	1.16
190	Rico	Bid
1000	Sapphire	.50
2000	San Diego Coalinga	.22
50	Silver Tip	3.25
500	Seneca	1.00
1000	South Pole	.25
500	Section Six	.59
500	San Juan	.90
1000	Sierra Madre	.25
20	S. F. McKittrick	34.00
1000	S. P. Oil & M. Co.	.25
1000	Tannehill	.50
1000	Templar McKittrick	.06
3000	Templar Ranch	16½
1000	Twenty-Two	.15
1000	Unity	.7½
500	Valley	Bid
1000	Visalia Non-Assessable	.25
1000	Ventura Development	.09
500	Wabash	Bid
1450	White Star	.Bid
100	Ward	2.80
2000	Western Consolidated	Bid
1000	Walker	.25

MISCELLANEOUS STOCKS.

25	Burlingame T. & T. Co.	Bid
200	Collins Wireless Telephone (Parent Co.)	1.75
500	Jerome Development	.42
1000	Haynes Copper	.55
100	Mascot Copper	4.10
1000	Spring Tire	Bid
2250	Treasure Key	Bid
500	Palo-Verde Mexico	Bid

STOCKS WANTED.

Producers' Transportation bonds or stock.

1000	Aladdin (Burr)	.13
2000	Aladdin (Fuhrman)	.28
100	Amy	2.00
500	Amazon Coalinga	.30
500	Bay City	Offer
500	Blair	Offer
1000	Blue Moon	Offer
1000	Bear Creek	Offer
100	Call	2.50
2500	Canadian Queen	Offer
1000	Canadian Pacific	.39
500	Del Rey	.18
500	De Luxe	2.25
500	Elk Consolidated	Offer
1000	Gypsy	.18
500	Coalinga Homestake	1.15
500	Kern Star	Offer
25	Knob Hill	10.00
1000	Kramer	Offer
100	Lucile	12.00
500	Los Angeles-Coalinga	Offer
1000	Majestic	Offer
500	Monte Cristo	Offer
1000	Mascot Midway	1.25
1000	Mt. Diablo	.75
1000	Midway Crude	.40
1000	Coalinga National	Offer
500	Overland	Offer
2000	Premier	.80
2000	Palmer	Offer
250	Red Top	.90
500	Silver Tip	3.00
500	Section Seven	Offer
1000	San Juan	Offer
500	Valley	Offer
500	Walled Crude	Offer
1000	White Star	Offer

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NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the California Oil Roads Company will be held at the office of the company, 1914 Tulare St., Fresno, Cal., at 1 p. m., January 3, 1910.

E. C. ALSOP,
Secretary.

Notice of Time Appointed for Proving Will, Etc.

In the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California.

In the matter of the Estate of George H. Stelz, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that Monday, the 3rd day of January, 1910, at 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, at the court room of said Court, department No. One, at the Court House, in the City of Fresno, in said County of Fresno, has been appointed by the Clerk of said Court, as the time and place for proving the Will of said George H. Stelz, deceased, and for hearing the application of Ben Estelen for the issuance to himself of letters testamentary, when and where any person interested may appear and contest the same.

Date December 22, 1909.

W. O. MILES,
Clerk.
By D. M. BARNWELL,
Deputy Clerk.
SUTHERLAND & BARBOUR,
Attorneys for Petitioner.

NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT.

Baird Oil Company, a corporation, location of principal place of business Fresno, Fresno County, California.

Notice is hereby given, that at a meeting of the Board of Directors, held on the 15th day of December, 1909, an assessment (No. 1) of three cents per share was levied upon the capital stock of the corporation payable on the 20th day of December, 1909, to United States gold coin, to Frank Kauke, secretary of the said Company, at his office in Room 5 of the Temple Bar building, in the City of Fresno, Fresno County, California. Any stock upon which this assessment shall remain unpaid on the 24th day of January, 1910, will be delinquent and advertised for sale at public auction, and, unless payment is made before, will be sold on the 10th day of February, 1910, at 3 o'clock P. M. to pay the delinquent assessment together with costs of advertising and expenses of sale.

FRANK KAUKE,
Secretary.
Office, Room 5, Temple Bar Building, Fresno, California.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Riverside Vineyard Company, a corporation, will be held at the head office of the company, Room No. 10, Union National Bank Building, Mariposa street, Fresno, California, on Monday, the 10th day of January, 1910, at the hour of 8 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of electing a board of directors to serve for the ensuing year and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting.

The transfer books of the Company will close on Friday, December 31st, 1909, at 3 o'clock p. m.

HENRY HAWSON,
Secretary of the Riverside Vineyard Company.
Fresno, California, Dec. 10th, 1909.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Scandinavian Mutual Protective Fire Insurance Association of Fresno County, California, will be held in the Fraternal Hall, Kingsburg, Cal., on Monday, the 10th of January 1910 at 10 o'clock a. m. for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year, and the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting.

NICHOLAS G. NELSON,
Secretary.
Kingsburg, Calif., December 23, 1909.

NOTICE OF SALE.

Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, Jan. 4th, 1910, the undersigned trustees of the Fowler School District will sell to the highest and best bidder, the old two story school building, on the school grounds in Fowler. Said building to be moved from the premises within 60 days of confirmation of sale. Bids for the purchase of said building must be accompanied with a certified check for at least 10 per cent of the amount bid.

The board reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Bids will be opened by the board of trustees at one o'clock p. m. Jan. 4th, 1910.

(Signed) GEO. FEAVER, JR.
W. L. GIFFIN.
E. G. HOAG, Clerk.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California.

In the matter of the estate of Hamlet R. Brown, deceased.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, George R. Andrews, administrator of the estate of Hamlet R. Brown, deceased, to the creditors and all persons having claims against said deceased, to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers within four months after the first publication of this notice to the said administrator, at the office of said administrator, Room 14, in the First National Bank Building, in the City of Fresno, County of Fresno, State of California, the same being the place for the transaction of business of said estate in the County of Fresno, State of California.

Dated: December 1st, 1909.

GEO. R. ANDREWS.
Administrator of the estate of Hamlet R. Brown, deceased.
M. B. Harris & E. M. Harris, attorneys for administrator

SUMMONS
No. 13493.

In the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California.

A. M. Drew & F. C. Huebner, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

P. McRae, plaintiff, vs. Abadin Ruis, sometimes known as Abadin Ruiz, also Abadain Ruis, Abadie Ruis, also Abadil Ruiz, also Abadin Ruis, also Abadin Plus John Doe, Jane Doe, Richard Roe and Mary Roe, defendants.

The People of the State of California send greeting to Abadie Ruis, sometimes known as Abadian Ruiz, also Abadian Ruis, also Abadie Ruis, also Abadil Ruiss, also Abadin Plus John Doe, Jane Doe, Richard Roe and Mary Roe, defendants:

You are hereby directed to appear and answer the complaint in an action entitled as above, brought against you in the Superior Court of the said County of Fresno, State of California, within ten days after the service on you of this summons—if served within this County; or within thirty days if served elsewhere.

And you are hereby notified that unless you appear and answer as above required, the said plaintiff will take judgment for any money or damages demanded in the complaint, as arising upon contract, or he will apply to the court for any other relief demanded in the complaint.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Superior Court of the said County of Fresno, State of California, this 28th day of October, A. D. 1909.

(Seal) W. O. MILES, Clerk.
By D. M. Barnwell, Deputy Clerk
Endorsed: No. 13493. Superior Court, County of Fresno, Department No. 1.
P. McRae, plaintiff vs Abadin Ruis, etc., et al., defendant. Summons.
A. M. Drew, F. C. Huebner, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

ASSESSMENT NOTICE NO. 44.

Crescent Canal Company, a corporation, location and principal place of business, Wheatville, Fresno County, Cal.

Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the board of directors held on the 14th day of December, 1909, an assessment of sixty dollars ($60.00) per share was levied upon the subscribed capital stock of the corporation, payable on or before the 15th day of January, 1910, to the secretary at his office at Wheatville, Fresno County, California.

Any stock upon which this assessment shall remain unpaid on the 14th day of January, 1910, will be delinquent and advertised for sale at public auction and unless payment is made before will be sold on the 14th day of February, 1910, at 1 o'clock p. m. to pay the delinquent assessment together with costs of advertising and expense of sale.

E. J. GOODRICH, Secretary.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California.

In the matter of the estate of Mary J. Mitchel, deceased.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, Blanche I. Mitchel, administratrix of the estate of Mary J. Mitchel, deceased, to the creditors of, and all persons having claims against the said deceased to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers, within four months after the first publication of this notice, to the said administratrix at the office of Frank Kauke, Attorney at law, in room 5 of the Temple Bar Building, in the City of Fresno, County of Fresno, State of California, which said office the said undersigned selects as the place for the transaction of the business of the said estate.

Dated this 27th day of November, 1909.

BLANCHE I. MITCHEL,
Administratrix of the estate of Mary J. Mitchel, deceased.

Date of first publication, November 29, 1909

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California.

In the matter of the estate of Tabitha C. Harris, deceased.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, Howard A. Harris, administrator of the estate of Tabitha C. Harris, deceased, to the creditors and all persons having claims against said deceased, to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers within four months after the first publication of this notice, to said administrator, at the office of M. B. Harris & E. M. Harris, in the First National Bank Building, in the City of Fresno, County of Fresno, State of California the same being the place for the transaction of business of said estate in the County of Fresno, State of California.

Dated: December 21th, 1909.

HOWARD A. HARRIS
Administrator of the estate of Tabitha C. Harris, deceased.
M. B. Harris & E. M. Harris, attorneys for administrator

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California.

In the matter of the estate of Helen Hoyd, deceased.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, Maggie Northcraft, administratrix of the estate of Helen Hoyd deceased, to the creditors and all persons having claims against said deceased, to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers within four months after the first publication of this notice, to said administratrix, at the office of M. B. Harris & E. M. Harris, in the First National Bank Building, in the City of Fresno, County of Fresno, State of California the same being the place for the transaction of business of said estate in the County of Fresno, State of California.

Dated December 13th, 1909.

MAGGIE NORTHCRAFT,
Administratrix of the estate of Helen Hoyd, deceased
M. B. Harris & E. M. Harris, attorneys for administratrix.

ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW

MILTON M. DEARING, lawyer, 216 217 Land Co. Bldg. Federal and state practice.

AYNESWORTH AND SPROUSE, attorneys-at-law, offices Short Bldg., 1031 J St.

FOR SALE—Miscellaneous

FOR SALE—Twenty state rights, patented article, quick seller, big profits. Call Mariposa Hotel. E. Jennison.

FOR SALE—10 room lodging house cheap. Call 1052 I St.

FOR SALE—Oak wood, $7 per cord. Delivered any part of city, $5 per cord f. o. b. 3 miles northeast Reedley. Telephone Main 1719, 1361 E.

NOTICE OF AN ASSESSMENT

Office of the Twenty-two Oil Company (a corporation), having its principal place of business at Rooms 7 & 8, Flske Building, in the City of Fresno, County of Fresno, California.

Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the Directors of said corporation held at its principal place of business as aforesaid, on the 22nd day of Nov. A. D. 1909, an assessment of two cents per share was levied upon the capital stock of said corporation payable to J. G. Roberts, treasurer of said company, at Madera, California, on or before January 10th, 1910.

Any stock upon which this assessment shall remain unpaid on the day fixed as above will be delinquent and advertised for sale at public auction and unless payment is made before, will be sold on March 15th, 1910, at 10 o'clock a. m. to pay the delinquent assessments together with costs of advertising and expenses of sale.

E. A. WILLIAMS,
Secretary of said corporation, Fresno, Fresno County, California.

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the California Dried Fruit Agency will be held at the office of the company in the Fresno National Bank Building, in the City of Fresno, County of Fresno, California, on Monday, January 10th, 1910, at 11 o'clock a. m. for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors to serve for the ensuing year and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

FRANK FRISBIE, Secretary.
Fresno, Cal., December 21th, 1909.

DELINQUENT SALE NOTICE

San Juan Oil Company. Location of principal place of business, Fresno, California. Location of works, Coalinga, Cal.

Notice: There are delinquent upon the following described stock, on account of Assessment No. 1, levied on the 28th day of October, 1909, the several amounts set opposite the names of the respective shareholders, as follows:

Name	Cert.	Shares	Am't.
Fred Henry	21	1500	$225
Fred Henry	66	1000	150
Fred Henry	67	1000	150
Fred Henry	68	1000	150
Fred Henry	69	1000	150
Fred Henry	70	1000	150
Fred Henry	71	1000	150
Fred Henry	72	1000	150
Fred Henry	73	1000	150
Fred Henry	74	1000	150
Fred Henry	75	500	75
Fred Henry	76	500	75
Fred Henry	77	500	75
Fred Henry	78	500	75
Fred Henry	79	400	60
W. E. Henry	49	1000	150
W. E. Henry	50	1000	150
W. E. Henry	51	1000	150
W. E. Henry	52	1000	150
W. E. Henry	53	500	75
W. E. Henry	54	500	75
W. E. Henry	55	500	75
W. E. Henry	58	500	75
W. E. Henry	57	500	75
W. E. Henry	58	500	75
W. E. Henry	59	500	75
W. E. Henry	60	500	75
W. E. Henry	61	500	75
W. E. Henry	62	500	75
W. E. Henry	63	500	75
W. E. Henry	65	200	30
W. E. Henry	302	200	30
A. D. Ferguson	12	1000	150
A. D. Ferguson	14	1000	150

And in accordance with law and an order of the Board of Directors made on the 28th day of October, 1909, so many shares of each parcel of such stock as may be necessary, will be sold at public auction, at the office of the company, Room 8, Fresno National Bank Building, Fresno, Cal., on Monday, the 10

MEETING NOTICES

O. O. O. EVERY MONDAY night. A. O. U. W hall. M. Bilby, Sec.

GEORGE A. CUSTER CIRCLE NO. 18—Ladies of the G. A. R. meet first and third Saturday afternoons of each month at 1:30 o'clock, Risley hall on Fresno street. Mrs. Minnie M. Mudge, president. Addie L. Gross, secretary.

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20—All in full bearing peach trees, good 6 roomed house, all implements. This is a fine income property, $6000.
20—All Muscat vines, near town, $6000.
20—15 in alfalfa, balance peaches, house and barn, near town. Snap. $3000.
10 ACRES of red sandy loam soil, 4 roomed house, barn, pumping plant, $1250.
THREE-FOURTHS of an acre with house $400.
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FOR SALE—By owner: Modern 6 room cottage, fine location, easy terms, $2500 Call at 3046 Fresno St.

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2 ACRE suburban home, adjoins city lots on the east, $2700, for sale or exchange for house in town
10 ACRES OF FINE LAND, $1000 LOCATED 2½ miles from Fresno.
5 ROOM HOUSE, 2 CORNER LOTS $1350. Nicely located, bargain.
640 ACRES NEAR CARUTHERS, $17.50—Sandy loam, $17.50 per acre
3 ROOM HOUSE, 3 LOTS, $1000—Windmill, fruit trees, shade, etc.
5 ACRES RAW LAND, $700.
20 ACRE VINEYARD LONE STAR—Pumping plant. Snap at $3700, $1200 cash, balance to suit
H. R. SIMPSON LAND CO., Fiske Bldg.

$1400—2 lots on P St., near Tulare St.
$450—2 corner lots, Illinois and Iowa Aves
5 LOTS, White Ave., 2 blocks from car line. Will sell 2, 4 or 6, monthly payments.
$1200—Two 3 room houses on 2 lots, easy payments.
$5300—20 acres, 2 miles from city, all in vines and trees. House and barn. A good buy.
KITTRELL & NEES, 1144 J.

FOR SALE—60 acres; 14 acres Muscats, 10 acres Thompson Seedless, 6 acres Malts, ¾ acre oranges, 5 acres alfalfa, balance grain land; 6 room house, barn, sheds, trays and boxes, horses, cattle, wagons, truck, plows, harrow, mower, rake, other small implements, $10,000, $4000 cash, 6 years on balance, August Bopp, Valentine and Sumner.

FOR SALE—Five acre berry and poultry ranch near Santa Cruz; good buildings, fine soil. Address owner, J. C. Conry, R. F. D. 2, Box 511 A, Santa Cruz.

FOR SALE—By owner, 20 acres of Al vineyard, only 3 miles from town, with buildings. Address "K," Box 17 Republican office

GREAT BARGAIN in 5½ acres if taken soon, close to Sanger. Main 2497.

FOR SALE—40 acres; 30 acres Muscat, 8 acres pasture, 6 room hard finished house, barn full of hay, 2 fine horses, 1 good wagon, all farming tools, 4000 trays, 250 boxes, 1 spring wagon. A. Taurent, 1040 H St., Fresno.

$750—House 1 room, furnished, Inyo St.
$900—House 3 rooms, furnished, Diana St.
$1000—House 4 rooms, Madison Ave.
$2000—House 6 rooms, near Santa Fe.
$5000—House 8 rooms, Fresno St.
R. S. THOMPSON, 1138 J St.

20 ACRES land near town. $70 per acre. Easy terms. A. L., Box 33, Republican.

10 ACRES near Roeding park, all Muscat vines, fine buy. $2700. Terms.
10 ACRE orchard 4 miles out, fine buildings. Must be sold. $3500. Terms.
10 ACRES chicken ranch, fine location, buildings 2 miles east, good land, $5000. Easy terms.
20 ACRES Muscat vineyard, 4 years old; near Lone Star, buildings, $4250. Terms.
10 ACRE orchard 4 miles from Fresno, 8 and 10 years old, fine producer, small house. $5500. Easy terms.
20 ACRES Kearney Ave., all alfalfa, good buildings, fenced and cross fenced, $4250. Terms.
40 ACRES alfalfa, Barstow district, $5500. Terms.
35 ACRE orchard, fine producer and good buildings, $10,500. Terms.
40 ACRE vineyard and orchard, fine place east of Lone Star. $3000. Terms.
40 ACRES alfalfa near Rolinda, fenced and cross fenced, buildings. $5000. Terms.
60 ACRES fine unimproved land east of Fresno. $75 per acre cash, $85 on time.
FINE UNIMPROVED land Waverly tract level, with water, all in grain, $105 per acre, ¼ cash, balance 5 years, 6 per cent interest.
FINE LOTS on Ventura Ave., $150.
ONE ACRE, 5 acre and 10 acre tracts near town, a fine list.
CAN SUIT any buyer on city or country property. See our list before buying.
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43 ACRES near Sultana; 9 acres oranges and lemons, 5½ vines, 5 peaches, 20 apricots and 3 alfalfa. Good furnished house, farming implements and stock, water right. $14,000, terms.

90 ACRE orange grove, full bearing, worth $20,000, for $12,500.

40 ACRES alfalfa, good buildings, fenced, water right. $3000

80 ACRES; 60 of alfalfa, 20 vines, good buildings, pumping plant, 2 horses, 20 cows, separator and farming implements. $12,000, ½ cash.

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$1700—5 room cottage, $200 cash.
$1700—5 room cottage, $150 cash.
$2200—6 room house, $350 cash.
$2300—6 room cottage, $500 cash.
THESE PROPERTIES are in the best residence section of town and can be paid for at $20 to $40 per month, or as much more as you please.
W. E. BUSH, 1140 J. Main 1425.

FOR SALE—
$4200—20 acres, Lone Star, 18 acres Muscats, $2200 cash.
40 ACRE full equipped dairy ranch, buildings, stock and alfalfa. All land.
$3000—20 acre dairy ranch, 3 miles out, ½ cash.
$2600—5 acres suburban home, neat house only $650 cash.
$10,500—40 acre Lone Star vineyard, $3500 cash, balance long time.
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ALL KINDS of city property for sale and to trade, improved and unimproved, any part of city. Boarding and lodging houses.
20 ACRES near Lone Star improved, bearing trees and vines, best soil, $5000, $1000 cash, balance $500 yearly.
ALL KINDS of country property, easy terms.
ELLIS BROS.
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FOR SALE—Business corner, 100x100, on Tulare.
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ALFALFA! ALFALFA!
40 ACRES, all good stand, right where you would pick it out, for $5000.

40 ACRES, close thereby, and its only competitor, with A1 alfalfa, $5500.

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20 ACRES, Price $5800—5½ acres 7 year old peach orchard, 11 acres of vines, 3 acres of alfalfa, 1½ acres of Thompson Seedless and Sultanas, small house and barn, 1800 trays and 55 sweat boxes.
20 ACRES, Price $6000—10 acres of Muir trees, 5 acres of Albertas, 5 acres of Lovells, all six years old; 2500 trays, 30 sweat boxes.
20 ACRES, Price $5500—10 acres of Muscat vines, 4 acres of alfalfa, 3 acres of trees, 2 acres of Thompson Seedless, good house and barn; 3 miles northeast of Selma.
40 ACRES, Price $11,000, cash one-half—5 acres of Albertas, 15 acres of Lovells, 6 acres of apricots, 1½ acres of Orange Clings, 1½ acres of nectarines, 1 acre of Phillip Clings, 4 acres of alfalfa.
40 ACRES, Price $6500, cash $2500—30 acres of alfalfa, house and barn, balance vacant; best white ash soil, level as a floor. Alfalfa all checked up and a good stand.
ADDRESS SELMA LAND CO.

40 ACRES good land. A bargain at $2200.
20 ACRES—13 in good alfalfa, $2100.
40 ACRES good land all improved in vines and trees, close to Fresno. Will take part payment in town property. Price $12,000.
I HAVE 10 acres 5 miles east of Selma, good 6 room house, barn and outbuildings, trays, boxes, implements, horse, cow and chickens. A good home for $5000. Will take house in Fresno as part payment.
CITY PROPERTY
GOOD 6 ROOM house, $2000.
5 ROOM house, $1400.
5 ROOM house on K St., $1600.
6 ROOM house on M St., $2500.
3 LOTS on Van Ness with some improvements, $1050.
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FOR SALE—160 acres alfalfa for sheep pasture. Inquire Fresno City Hay Market.

MENDOTA LANDS—See Al Braverman.

A RARE CHANCE
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20 ACRES of raw land with good water right, suitable for vines or peaches, six miles from Fresno. Will exchange for city lots. Price $1200.

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$1000—15 acres; 5 acres Thompsons, 5 acres Muirs 1 year old, small house and some tools. Half cash.
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FOR RENT—Nicely furnished rooms with heater, in private family. 2223 Inyo.

FOR RENT—Large front room suitable for 1 or 2 gentlemen. 2830 Tulare.

TWO FURNISHED rooms for housekeeping, electric light; no children. 920 M St.

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FOR RENT—One furnished housekeeping room, suitable for one lady. 1329 M St.

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FOR RENT—40 acres, 8 miles west on McKinley and ½ north, 4 roomed house barn, etc. 18 acres grapes, 6 acres alfalfa, 1 acre strawberries, 500 peach trees. Rent $300 a year cash for 3 years. Apply Fresno Creamery, 1142 J.

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BOARD AND ROOM—Furnished bedroom and day boarders wanted. 2221 Inyo.

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Today's Want Ads.

HELP WANTED—Male

WANTED—Man and wife for vineyard. Apply I. G. Levy, 1050 I St. Tel. M. 518.

WANTED—Man to lay carpet and do general work around a furniture store in a live town in this valley. Address H. N., Box 41, Republican.

WANTED— Experienced tree pruner, 1 mile north, ¼ mile west McKinley school. F. S. Keller.

EXPERIENCED competent vineyard foreman with references, unmarried. G. B., Box 60, Republican.

WANTED—Men at Los Angeles. Electricity, automobiling, plumbing, bricklaying, carpentry, sign painting trades taught in few months. No cash expense. Actual contract work. Write for catalogue. United Trade School Contracting Co., 236 Aliso, Los Angeles.

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MAN AND WIFE want work on ranch or oil fields. Address Kerman, Cal., Route 1, care Frank Binion.

WANTED—Position on dairy ranch or will care for cows on shares. 1119 H.

WANTED—Work by non-union carpenter, contract or day work, city or country. Red 3202.

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WANTED—Position on ranch by man and wife. 1354 N. Main 3770.

WANTED—Situation by good Japanese cook private family, city or country. K. Takota, 911 G St.

A WIDOW LADY desires position as housekeeper, no objections to children. W. L., Box 22, Republican.

WANTED—Position by a first class cook, colored woman. 1345 E St.

GOOD CARPENTER, non-union, wants work, day or job, wages reasonable. Tel. Main 421.

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A JAPANESE BOY wants a position as a school boy or house work in a Christian family. Apply to J. K. Fukunaga, 825 F St., Fresno. Tel. China 542.

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FOR SALE—Stock

FOR SALE—Good driving and saddle horse, harness and buggy, cheap; also gentleman's nearly new saddle and bridle. Call at 355 Poplar, Ray Burnham.

FOR SALE—5 nice mules, 5 work and driving horses. Mono Stables, corner J and Mono.

FOR SALE—At 1150 M St., 6 head first class heavy mules with harness, 4 young blocky mares, gentle, with harness; 2 general purpose horses. By F. J. Meachum.

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FOR SALE—Mules. Inquire Fresno City Hay Market.

FOR SALE or will lease on shares to responsible parties, 20 jacks just imported from Arabia, for breeding, 3 to 4 years old. H. Homsey, 1155 I St., second floor.

FOR SALE— A registered Durham bull and six Durham heifers. Address Selma Land Co.

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TAKEN UP—Red cow, no marks, 5 or 6 years old. C. Indresen, ½ mile West Rolinda Store, R. 2, Box 168.

ESTRAYED

ESTRAYED — Thursday morning, one dark sorrel horse. Phone Main 705.

ESTRAYED—Saturday night, from near Sanger, bay horse, weight about 1300 lbs., short tail. Y. S. Miyaki, care M. L. Dean, Sanger.

ESTRAYED—6 year gelding, ran away with halter and cotton rope on Friday night; color dark brown, sprinkled gray on the back, weight about 1000 lbs. Finder please write to Kuno, care K Awayn, R. F. D. No. 1, Clovis.

ESTRAYED—Bay horse with halter, branded on left hind leg. 1319 A.

HELP WANTED—Female

WANTED—Cook for country hotel. Address Walley Hotel, Kerman, Cal.

WANTED—Middle aged woman to do general housework. Apply 819 Park Ave

WANTED—Chambermaid. 1033 L The Voorman.

WANTED—Girl for general housework. Apply 926 M.

WANTED—Competent girl for general housework, Danish or Swedish preferred wages $30. Apply 443 Nielsen.

WANTED —Stenographers and typewriters to register at our office for positions. No charge. Underwood Typewriter Co., 1060 J St., Fresno, Cal. Phone Main 1006.

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K. IWASAKI LAUNDRY—First class washing, reasonable prices, ladies' work a specialty. 1408 Kern St. Phone China 451. Our wagon calls for your work.

ACME RESTAURANT— Corner I and Mariposa Sts. Main 986. F. M. Shuck, prop.

ARMORY STABLES, 824 J St.—First class livery. Rubber tire three seater. Boarders solicited. Phone Main 389. Cobb Bros., proprietors.

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SANTA CLAUS VISITED CHINESE BAPTIST MISSION

Pastor Brown Will Preach His Farewell Sermon Tomorrow.

Three Christmas Programs Were Enjoyed Yesterday.

It was announced at the Christmas services at the Baptist church last evening that Rev. A. P. Brown will preach his farewell sermon as pastor of the church tomorrow. It was urged that as large number as possible attend this last service under the pastor, who has been with the church for many years.

Rev. Brown will go from here to Sacramento.

The services will also be the time for the offerings for foreign missions.

AT THE MISSION.

Three Christmas programs were enjoyed by the Baptists yesterday. Over a hundred people attended a unique and entertaining Christmas tree at the Baptist Chinese mission. At the First Baptist church the tots sang and recited in the afternoon and met Santa Claus, and all the church grown-ups and little ones, attended a social in the evening.

Twenty little Chinese children and twenty-one Chinese boys and men furnished the program at the Chinese mission in the afternoon. The songs and recitations were in Chinese and English. The mission, at 906 E street, is in charge of Miss S. E. Stein, who has for her assistant, in the primary department, Miss Lota Young, a Chinese girl, who is a graduate of Fresno High school.

The audience was largely Chinese, with a considerable sprinkling of white people though. One hundred and ten people attended.

After the program, presents and candies were distributed from a Christmas tree in the orthodox fashion.

One of the enjoyable numbers on the program was a piano solo by Miss Joy Lewis, a Chinese girl, who is a talented musician. The program was as follows:

1—Welcome song, by twenty Chinese tots, trained by Miss Lota Young.
2—Reading of the scripture, and telling of the meaning of Christmas, in Chinese.
3—Prayer.
4—Song, "Ring the Christmas In," by twenty-one Chinese boys and men.
5—Recitation by Miss Young and six Chinese boys.
6—Instrumental duet, by Miss Joy Lewis and her pupil, Hallow Powell.
7—Song in English, "A Way in the Manger," by Miss Young's tots.
8—Recitation, by Joe Sing.
9—Piano solo, by Miss Joy Lewis.
10—Song, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" (in Chinese), by twenty-one men and boys.
11—Recitation, by Walter Lew.
12—Song, "Long Ago on Christmas Day," by Ida and Tommy Haw.
13—Recitation, "Bringing Gifts to Jesus," by Nathan Eleazarian.
14—Song, "Little Stars," by Joseph Lew.
15—Offering.
16—Song, "Praise Him," by Miss Young's twenty little tots.

PROGRAM AT CHURCH.

The usual order for Christmas trees was varied at the Baptist church last evening when a social was held; to which the parents of the children and all the congregation of the church were invited. After a clever program, Santa Claus appeared in conventional regalia, and distributed candy and nuts galore.

The program was in the following order:

1—Song, "Praise God," by the school and congregation.
2—Scripture, pastor and congregation.
3—Prayer, by pastor.
4—Recitation, by Denwood Newbury.
5—Song, by Cornelia Elbow.
6—Address, by Rev. A. P. Brown.
7—Recitation, by Miss Christina Ellithorpe.
8—Recitation and song, "Praise and Adoration," by the intermediate girls.

CHRISTMAS CANTATA.

The Christmas musical service of the First Baptist church will be held tomorrow evening, and will consist of the popular cantata, "The Prince of Peace." The feature of the cantata will be the singing of the solos for which it is noted, and also the splendid chorus music for the male and female voices. The accompanying instruments will be a violin, a piano, and an organ. The cantata will be introduced by a fine prelude by these instruments.

Before the cantata there will be a short special service of worship, and the pastor will deliver his farewell address. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend. The service will commence at 7:30 o'clock.

ANOTHER GLOVE AS A XMAS PRESENT

County Auditor Barnum has another glove for his right hand, given him yesterday as a Christmas present. Chief Deputy Assessor Sayre had presented left armed Chill Ewing with a left hand glove, and right armed Barnum with a right hand glove of a pair. Left armed Mr. Van Clief, reading of Sayre's unique method of Christmas present making, thought if his friend Barnum, and when he bought a pair of Christmas gloves yesterday he retained the left glove and presented "Barney" with the other. "The more the merrier," says Barnum.

CHINA SAYS JAPAN VIOLATED TREATY

PEKING, Dec. 24.—It is understood China is preparing to protest formally against Japan's alleged violation during the last year of the Manchuria telegraph convention of 1908.

The protest will declare Japan is maintaining bureaus at all points in Manchuria as well as at Chefu for the purpose of putting Chinese telegrams into the Japanese language, thereby competing with the Chinese service and violating the convention by which this privilege was granted only to Japanese residents for the purpose of increasing Japanese communications and traffic.

FIRE IN INSANE ASYLUM.

WATERBURY, Vt., Dec. 24.—Fire at the Vermont State Hospital for the Insane here late today destroyed three wards, causing an estimated loss of $100,000. All of the inmates were removed without injury.

CLERKS IN HOTELS HAD AN EASY DAY

The Registration Yesterday Was the Lightest in Many a Month.

Yesterday was a holiday for the hotel clerks of Fresno.

From morn until midnight, the registration was the lightest in months. Up till noon, only twenty persons had recorded their names on the big books at the Fulton, Hughes and Sequoia hotels. At 6 o'clock last evening the number had increased to thirty, while the three southbound trains later in the evening brought only a score to add to the small list.

Ordinarily the registration at the three hotels for a day is approximately 250. A comparison of the average day's business with that of yesterday is interesting. The hotel clerks explain the falling off in that every traveling salesman on the Pacific Coast makes effort to spend Christmas day with his family, or if he has none, his home town or some large city, where there is plenty of excitement to draw him. Most of the knights of the grip have gone to San Francisco or Los Angeles to remain over today and tomorrow. Some of them will not start on the road again until after January 1.

The few registrations of yesterday and last night were from neighboring valley towns and consisted principally of country residents coming to the metropolis of the valley to do some late shopping. Many of these left on the late trains, and as a consequence, there are more vacant rooms in the hotels than at any date this year. Since last summer the hotels have alternately turned people away nightly. Yesterday the clerks had a "Merry Christmas" for everybody and all were happy. It was their initial vacation of 1909.

CRUSHED TO DEATH BY A FALLING LOG

Rancher Mariano Laurenz of Near Conejo Was Badly Mangled.

While loading cottonwood logs on a wagon with the assistance of a hired man, Mariano Laurenz, a well-to-do Mexican rancher, living near Conejo, was instantly killed yesterday morning at 1 o'clock, when he was struck by one of the heavy logs. His head, caught between the falling log and another on the ground. His face was mangled beyond recognition, and the brains were scattered on the ground.

Laurenz and the hired man were attempting to place the heavy log in the wagon at the time of the accident. They were standing it on end, trying to raise it on the wagon bed. In this work, the log slipped, striking Laurenz as it fell and pinioning his head between it and the log on the ground when it fell.

The coroner's office in Fresno was notified and Deputy Coroner Stephens answered the summons, two hours after the fatality. A jury was summoned, and a verdict was brought in accordance with the facts above. The remains were brought to Fresno last night, but no date has been set for the funeral.

The deceased was a native of Spain, and was about 45 years of age. He leaves widow and two children. He had been about Conejo for fourteen years and had been in California about eighteen years.

RUSSIANS AFRAID FINNS WILL REVOLT

HELSINGFORS, Finland, Dec. 24.—The Russian military authorities are taking great precaution to prevent a possible revolt in Finland.

An official warning has been issued to pilots and the public, stating that vessels or pedestrians on the ice must not approach within three hundred yards of the warships or the fortifications at Svenborg.

Any one invading the prohibited zone will be fired upon.

The streets are patrolled at night by soldiers and the residences of Russian officials are closely guarded. The warships in the harbor are in constant preparation for the bombardment of the city.

The Finns insist the precautions are needless.

MIDSHIPMAN MARRIES; IS DISMISSED FROM NAVY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—As a result of the success of Cupid, the naval career of Midshipman Joseph E. Austin of the United States steamship South Dakota ended today. He was dismissed from the naval service because he married in violation of an order issued during the Roosevelt administration.

This order was that a midshipman must not marry without the consent of the department, although he had completed the course of instruction at Annapolis.

Midshipman Austin was married in Honolulu on the visit of the South Dakota to that port recently.

NEW STEAMER LINE.

SEATTLE, Dec. 24.—The Puget Sound Navigation Company last night awarded the contract for construction of a steel steamer to cost $175,000 and to be named the Minneapolis, to ply in passenger service in Puget Sound and Canadian waters. The invasion of Puget Sound by the Grand Trunk Pacific, which has three big steamers under construction in England and which has leased a central wharf in Seattle, has caused a great stir in steamship circles.

TWENTY YEARS FOR WOMAN WHO KILLED HER HUSBAND.

NEWARK, N. J., Dec. 24.—Twenty years' imprisonment was the sentence imposed today upon Mrs. Mary Jane Wilhelm, recently convicted of killing her husband, Frank Wilhelm, a contractor, last February. Nicholas Sica, Mrs. Wilhelm's alleged accomplice, is yet to be tried.

SERIOUSLY BURNED WHILE ACTING AS SANTA CLAUS

CHARLESTON, Ill., Dec. 24.—Putting on the guise of Santa Claus to amuse children, Miss Clara McClory drew too near the candles of the Christmas tree, her "beard" caught fire and today she is in a serious condition.

LITTLE CHAPEL FILLED AT FUNERAL OF THE CHEUVRONTS

Father, Mother and Son Are Laid Out in Caskets.

Hope Is Held Out for the Recovery of the Child Survivor.

While Little Gladys Cheuvront lay unconscious on her cot at the Burnett sanitarium, as a result of the murderous assault made upon her by her father, George C. Cheuvront, last Wednesday morning, the funeral of the man, who, in a fit of temporary insanity attempted to end her life, and his two victims, the wife and little son, Claude, took place at 10:30 o'clock from the undertaking parlors of Stephens and Bean on I street.

The small chapel was filled to overflowing and many, who desired to attend were forced to stand with uncovered heads on the sidewalk in front of the chapel. The funeral was a triple one. The bodies of mother, father and son were placed in front of the alter, where the Rev. Harold Goveia of the St. Paul's Methodist church conducted the funeral services over the slayer and his victims.

All who attended were filled with the horror of the tragedy, and the Rev. Goveia's remarks were brief and general. Many were so overcome at mention of the tragedy that their eyes were filled with tears. Particularly was the tragic occurrence of Wednesday morning recalled when George, the fifteen year old son, entered the chapel with his head swathed in bandages as a result of the attack made upon him by his father, and slowly made his way down to a seat in front of the casket which contained the remains of his mother.

After the services, the crowd filed past the caskets, viewing the remains in each one. The line was a long one, taking thirty minutes before the caskets could be carried out by the pallbearers to the hearses that were standing in front.

The pallbearers were selected from members of the Woodmen of the World of which organization the deceased husband was a member. The pallbearers were G. P. Cummings, W. T. Mugg, E. H. Morgan, George Clarno, George Ball and Curtis Noll.

The remains of father and husband were placed in the first hearse, a silver grey one; the second hearse was a jet black one, in which the remains of Mrs. Cheuvront were placed, and the remains of little Claude were conveyed in a white hearse to their final resting place at Mountain View cemetery.

At the cemetery, there were special burial services conducted by the Woodmen of the World under the direction of H. D. Carver. He was assisted by Woodmen Organizer Colley, John Hutchinson, W. Scott, George Clarno, W. T. Mugg and the Bowmer brothers.

The condition of little Gladys Cheuvront is slightly improving, according to a statement made late last night by one of the nurses of the Burnett sanitarium. The little girl is still unconscious, but her pulse is a fraction above 100 degrees, which is considered a good sign, and the fever is gradually leaving her. The nurse said that Gladys had a fair chance to recover.

STRIKERS AGREE TO AN ARBITRATION

Prospect of Speedy Settlement of Switchmen's Trouble.

ST. PAUL, Dec. 24.—Only one obstacle remains in the way of a settlement of the switchmen's strike in the Northwest as the result of the conference today between railroad officials and representatives of the railway counsel of the American Federation of Labor in Governor Eberhardt's office. Both sides are agreed on all questions except the time when all striking switchmen shall be taken back to work.

The railroads offered to take back as many of the strikers immediately as they have places for and then reemploy the rest just as soon as places can be made vacant. It was suggested that it may take thirty days before all of the men could be put back to work, but President Hawley of the Switchmen's Union said that he would agree to nothing short of simultaneous re-employment of all the men.

Governor Eberhardt is trying to obtain a concession from the railroads on this point, and he announced this evening that the officials have already taken steps to reach some agreement.

Today the striking switchmen agreed to submit the controversy to arbitration and abide by the decision of the board now being organized in Chicago to settle the dispute between the Chicago lines and their switchmen. The concessions demanded by the Twin City and Chicago switchmen are identical. The rate of pay pending the outcome of the Chicago proceedings will be that in effect November 1. If the Chicago conference results in an increase in wages the lines will put it into effect.

President Hawley of the Switchmen's Union tonight said:

"There will be no agreement to terminate the strike unless the companies agree that every man that went out on strike will be reinstated to positions occupied before the strike began and that without prejudice."

HOOKWORM PATIENT IN ALAMEDA COUNTY

OAKLAND, Dec. 24.—Dr. Wellman, professor of surgery of the College of Physicians and Surgeons in Oakland, a well-known expert on tropical diseases, confirmed the diagnosis of hook worm in the case of a patient, Mrs. Marie Francesca, at the Alameda county infirmary today.

Mrs. Francesca is a native of the Azores and was taken to the hospital from San Leandro, where she was lived for the past eight years.

CHILD DIES OF BURNS.

STOCKTON, Dec. 24.—Ronald Gilbert, 5 years of age, died at St. Joseph's hospital this afternoon from burns received this morning at the home of his parents, northeast of the city. The youngster got too near the stove and his clothing caught fire.

BOILERMAKERS STRIKE.

DUNKIRK, N. Y., Dec. 24.—About 500 boilermakers and tank builders at the Bronks plant of the American Locomotive Company in this city struck today in sympathy, it is said, with the strikers at the Schnectady and Richmond plants.

TAX COLLECTIONS FOR COUNTY TOWNS

If Collector Smith Is Paid All Due Him, Will Yet Be $200 Short.

The erroneous impression has been gathered from the publication of the grand jury's inquiry that the regular deputies in the tax collector's office, who are under county pay, receive the money collected from incorporated towns in the county for the extra services performed in the collection of the city's taxes. This is not the fact.

The money when collected is paid to the extra clerical help that is employed to do the necessary increased work devolving upon the tax collector by reason of having to act also in official capacity for the city and towns. The tax collections this year for the cities have cost Collector Smith $500 for the extra clerical help, apportioned off as follows in charges: Fresno City, $300; Coalinga, $100; Selma, $100; Kingsburg, $50; Fowler, $50; total $600. If, therefore, Mr. Smith collects the $600 that he claims is due him, he will still be out $200 to pay for the services of the extra help.

BACK FROM CAPITAL IN POLICE CUSTODY

Detective Ben Drenth returned yesterday afternoon from Sacramento with C. O. Cusick in custody. He is charged with embezzling $1250 from the Jersey Farm Dairy Company. Cusick took his arrest coolly and asserted that in taking the money that he had done nothing criminal, and could not be prosecuted. The accused man said, furthermore, that he had not intended to go east as reported, but had gone to Sacramento on a business trip and intended to return to Fresno. The officers place no credence in his story.

HAD BUT ONE WEEK OF MARITAL BLISS

Brokaw Tells of His Troubles on Stand in Divorce Case.

NEW YORK, December 24.—One week of happiness in two years of married life was the best W. Gould Brokaw could get out of his bargain, he testified in court today. And yet he is willing to take his wife back. She, however, seems to prefer separation and $60,000 a year alimony.

"I bear absolutely no rancor toward my wife," he volunteered in his testimony today, "and if she will promise to be good, I will take her back in my arms. All I want her to promise is that she will not accuse me of going with other women and that she will stop calling me names. If she makes that promise, I will wish her a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

Mrs. Brokaw was not present to hear her husband's offer of reconciliation. A severe cold kept her away today. But her counsel was disinclined to credit Brokaw's sincerity.

THOUGHT IT A TRICK.

"If Mr. Brokaw means what he said," commented Baldwin to the court, "there is no reason why they should not be reconciled, but I believe it is nothing more than a well planned scheme to create favor for the defendant."

At the resumption of the hearing today, Brokaw was asked to describe the single week of wedded bliss he would allow. He was sick at the time, and quarrels and worry were not good for him, he said. His physicians advised him not to see Mrs. Brokaw, but he insisted and won.

LOVED HIM ONE WEEK.

"I could not seem to get Mrs. Brokaw off my mind," he said, "and finally the doctors said she could visit me. I drove half way to meet her and for a week she was loving and affectionate."

Brokaw's lawyer did not press him for the quarrel that terminated his one bright week. Instead, Attorney McIntyre brought out denials that Brokaw ever set his servants to spying on his wife, or that he was jealous of her physicians. He never suspected, he said, that Mrs. Brokaw would elope with one of the doctors whose name has figured in the suit, because, said Brokaw, the doctor was too effeminate.

He never heard his wife mention the name of "Bunnie" Wells, whose presence in a house party at Great Neck, L. I., precipitated the final estrangement. He only knew that a man had slept in his private room—what man he could not find out.

A MAN IN HIS BED.

"I was deeply grieved," testified Brokaw, "to learn that a man occupied my room when there were bachelor quarters upstairs. Nobody except myself had ever slept in my bed before. I had given orders that nobody should sleep in my private room, and Mrs. Brokaw knew of it."

Brokaw described how close his room was to his wife's and how he demanded the name of the man who occupied it. Brokaw then explained why he twice broke down the door of his wife's private room. Every time he tried to talk confidentially with her, he said, either he found the door locked or there was a maid in the room. Once, he admitted, these tactics drove him to exasperation and the other times he feared his wife had attempted suicide.

DIDN'T SPEND SO MUCH.

He denied that he ever spent $30,000 in one year on his wife. A better estimate, he said, would be $8,000. During their separation he directed his lawyers to pay her $150 a week.

He denied that he ever spent $35,000 on jewels for her.

"The most I ever paid," he testified, "was $1,000 for her engagement ring."

"Did you ever buy her any other jewelry?"

SHE SAID IT WAS PASTE.

"Yes, a necklace of pearls and emeralds to replace one of my mother's that she had been wearing. When I gave it to her, she said it was paste and threw it in my face."

As proof that Mrs. Brokaw was mistaken about gems being paste, her husband said, Mrs. "Jimmy" Martin afterwards offered to buy the necklace.

"Mrs. Martin," he commented, with an air of finality, "does not wear paste."

Court adjourned until Monday.

LEWISTON, Me., Dec. 24.—Two firemen were killed and three badly injured in a fire here today. They were working on the ruins when two walls collapsed.

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SALVATION ARMY HAS A DINNER FOR EVERY COMER

Its the Tenth Xmas Feast That Chef Carter Has Cooked.

The Plum Pudding Will Be Something to Make the Mouth Water.

Several hundred of the poor of Fresno will have full stomach today. The members of the Salvation Army yesterday put the finishing touches on their annual Christmas charity dinner, which will be given at noon today in Union hall on K street, between Mariposa and Fresno.

The first delegation of guests will sit down to the feast promptly at the stroke of twelve. As soon as these have satisfied the inner man, the second delegation will be ushered in and invited to take seats at the long table, which extends from one end of the hall to the other.

The bill of fare follows:

Roast turkey with cranberry sauce.
Roast pork with dressing.
Roast beef with dressing.
Hen stock and oyster pie.
Stewed turnips.
Mashed potatoes.
Plum pudding with lemon sauce.
Pies, assorted.
Oranges, apples, nuts and candy.

This menu has been prepared by Captain E. B. Carter, the veteran chef, who has volunteered his services to the Salvation Army of Fresno for ten years. Captain Carter has been a member of the Army for 18 years. Said he last night:

"I'll be 70 next March and I pride myself in being physically able to put some of my Army brothers of 40 on the shelf. I came in from my son's ranch last Monday and have been devoting my entire time since that date assisting Captain Carroll and his workers in this cause. I do this charity work annually and I always pay my own expenses while in the city. If the Army offered to pay me, I would raise a howl that could be heard all over Fresno."

After giving the bill of fare for the feast on the morrow, Captain Carter, to roll up his sleeves, paused in his task of wielding a butcher knife on the quarter of a beef, in the preparation of small chunks of lean meat for the beef pie. He then called the attention of his visitors to the improvised kitchen in an ante room off Union hall, where three stoves were burning at their utmost. Two of the stoves were heated by gas, while a large wood stove sat in the corner of the room. On top of these were five wash boilers, filled to the brim with the steaming preparations for plum puddings.

"There will be 170 pounds of delicious plum pudding on the tables tomorrow noon," continued the captain, rolling his sleeves a little higher on his brawny arms. "It looks very much to me like there will be sufficient plum pudding to supply all comers. And remember, all are welcome. Nobody will be turned away.

"Into this pudding will go 15 pounds of suet, 10 pounds of seeded raisins, 10 pounds of currants, 20 pounds of seedless Sultana raisins, 5 pounds of citron and lemon peel, 20 pounds of sugar, 6 dozen eggs and 20 pounds of flour."

That the pudding will be the most tempting dish on the festive board was evidenced last night about 10 o'clock, when the five boilers were steaming on top of the three stoves, the fragrant aroma filling the small room. For the meat portion of the menu will be cooked 241 pounds of turkey, for which 25 cents per pound, alive, was paid by Captain Carroll, and 4½ dozen chickens. The chickens cost $7.50 per dozen, alive.

The fowls were taken to Captain Carroll's home on South K street last Thursday and there the killing and cleaning process was carried out by the corps of Salvation Army members. A sack of turnips and two sacks of potatoes were also secured. An entire side of beef and a half hog will furnish the roasts and meat pies at today's feast. The task of preparing the dinner was begun early last evening and continued until 2 o'clock this morning with Captain Carter and three assistant engaged every minutes of the time.

Captain Carroll stated last night that 75 baskets filled to the brim, were distributed yesterday to the poor families which have come under the notice of the Army leaders. "The baskets contained more provisions than ever before," declared the captain. "We loaded them to the very brim and the families were exceedingly grateful to us for the generous gifts. These baskets contained everything that will be seen on the tables today. In each was sufficient food for ten persons.

"In round numbers I estimate that a trifle over $200 was secured through the medium of the kettles on the prominent downtown street corners and the dog cigar boxes in the hotels and business houses. This is a splendid showing and we are very grateful to the dear public. The Elks lodge, in particular, was kind to us, the members giving $35 in cash. The public schools also contributed liberally.

"The pupils brought provisions to their respective classrooms and although some carried only one or two potatoes, the liberality of each student brought the total to approximately $100 worth of eatables. The Army is planning to give the children of the poor families of Fresno a Christmas tree on New Year's eve. We have not decided on the hall as yet but we shall give the youngsters the time of their lives and make them think they are in paradise for one night, at least. We have an abundance of oranges and other fruit with candy and nuts and other dainties. We hope to make the tree the largest in years."

Last Christmas the Army superintended the feeding of about 400 unfortunates and Captain Carter expects to exceed that number today. "Come one, come all," is the slogan of the charity workers.

WEEKLY REVIEW OF THE NATION'S TRADE

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—R. G. Dun and Company's Weekly Review of Trade tomorrow will say:

Holiday trade has been, on the whole, very satisfactory, especially in the West, here some of the cities report a retail distribution in excess of all previous years. The colder weather has contributed to more wholesome trade conditions in several lines, but in most industries that is a season when there is usually a slackening of activity and attention is directed to the stock taking and settlements incident to the close of the year.

The general business situation, therefore, presents a somewhat mixed appearance. Though there is no fundamental change in conditions, the outlook is, in the main, exceedingly bright. The recent advance of cotton to above 16 cents for the May option was one of the incidents of the week and is in line with the general tendency of higher prices, due both to the heavy gold output and to the fact that production of commodities is not increasing in equal ratio to the consumptive demands of a rapidly growing population in a time of wonderful wealth.

BRADSTREETS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Bradstreets tomorrow will say:

Holiday trade has occupied the center of the stage this week, shopping everywhere, except, perhaps, in parts of the South, has been of exceptionally heavy proportions. A number of cities report a record volume of business and in practically every place the turnover greatly exceeds that of 1908. Regular retail trade has been stimulated by crisp weather. On the whole, wholesale trade has turned quieter, salesmen being off the road, with stock-taking under way. Manufacturers are also inventorying or preparing to do so; therefore, industrial lines are relatively less active, though orders for finished steel continue in surprisingly heavy volume.

At the moment the labor situation is in comparatively good shape, the switchmen's strike is practically a thing of the past and the tendency among other railway employes who have prepared requests for higher wages is to act conservatively.

Business failures in the United States for the week ending December 23rd were 264, against 273 last week; 196 in the like week of 1908; 248 in 1907, 161 in 1906, and 212 in 1905.

Business failures in Canada for the week number 23, which compare with 33 for last week, and 21 for the like week in 1908.

Wheat (including flour) exports from the United States and Canada for the week ending December 23rd aggregate 3,763,928 bushels, against 3,945,258 last week and 3,029,591 this week of last year. For the twenty-five weeks endin December 23rd exports are 84,040,633 bushels, against 110,847,058 in the corresponding week of last year.

Corn exports for the week were 1,852,314 bushels, against 1,078,635 last week and 995,332 in 1908.

For the twenty-five weeks ending December 23rd, corn exports are 7,546,812 bushels against 9,038,682 last year.

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